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## REYNAUD TO JOIN GEN. DE GAULLE

### BRITAIN USES PARACHUTE TROOPS

London, To-day.  
"The Times," commenting on the British raid over the enemy coastlines, says the point is that this incident shows the offensive spirit, which is exactly what the public wants.

It shows we neither need nor desire merely to await the attack but are ready and able to strike at enemy occupied territory whenever opportunity offers or can be made.

This operation could not have been devised or carried out by a nation suffering from any sense of moral or material inferiority.—Reuter.

#### Parachute Troops

A Havas message says that it is reported that Britain hit back at Hitler with his own weapons, the operations being carried out partly by the landing of troops by parachute.

They were subsequently withdrawn successfully, without loss, by naval vessels.

#### Brass Knuckles

London, To-day.  
The "News Chronicle," commenting on the raids on enemy territory, says we must now fight with brass knuckles.

The "Daily Express" recalls, in connexion with our landing, the story of Leonidas of Thermopylae when, with the Persian hordes approaching, his soldiers said "The enemy are getting near us," and he replied, "And we are getting near the enemy." —Reuter.

### RELIEVING REFUGEE PROBLEM

An attempt is to be made by the Government to relieve the refugee situation on the Hong Kong side of the border.

Following a conference between the Japanese and British authorities, safe conduct to their homes on the Chinese side is to be given to those refugees who wish to return.

Passes will be issued by the British military authorities and the Japanese

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

LONDON, TO-DAY.

AFTER RE-AFFIRMING THAT M. REYNAUD WAS COMING TO LONDON TO JOIN THE FRENCH NATIONAL COMMITTEE, GENERAL DE GAULLE, IN A BROADCAST LAST NIGHT, STATED THAT ALL FRENCH COLONIES IN THE MEDITERRANEAN HAVE DECIDED TO FIGHT ON.

Any attempt by the Italians to enforce the terms of the armistice with the Petain administration would be staunchly resisted.

Meanwhile, an important announcement was made yesterday that General de Gaulle's French National Committee will maintain an independent political existence.

Political circles interpret the declaration as meaning that the Committee will not wait on the support of well-known political leaders.

An officer of General de Gaulle's headquarters stated yesterday that the number of Frenchmen who have volunteered for service "permits the rapid constitution of a French Legion."

He added: "The volunteers are determined that France shall not be cut into pieces. The Legion will be formed as soon as barracks, equipment and supplies are ready."—Havas.

#### de Gaulle's Answer

London, To-day.

General de Gaulle, in a broadcast reply to Marshal Petain, declared the latter was the highest military authority, Generalissimo and War Minister, and was blameworthy for the lack of mechanised forces.—Reuter.

### FRENCH MARITIME DECISION?

London, To-day.

In a leader headed "France Despoiled," "The Times" considers Italy's completion of the spoliation and remarks acidly:

According to the first clause of the Franco-Italian armistice, the Italians are to stand on their advanced lines in all theatres of operation. They have done little else since their war began. Seldom indeed in history can a conqueror have won so large a prize so cheaply and so meanly.

While the fate of the British people is still uncertain, it can hardly be believed that the French merchant marine will obey the orders of Germany and Italy and make a surrender which the Norwegians and Belgians refused to contemplate. — Reuter.

authorities have agreed to allow them through on two days next week, Monday and Tuesday.

### RUSSIA ORDERS ARMS SPEED-UP

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Moscow, To-day.

An official decree issued yesterday in Moscow reveals the serious view taken in Russia of the international situation.

A seven-day week has been restored in all industries of national importance, and increased production has been ordered in the arms industries. — Havas.

WEATHER FORECAST:—South winds, moderate to fresh; fair generally, local showers.

### TURKEY'S POLICY UNCHANGED

London, To-day.

According to a statement quoted by the Ankara radio, Dr. Saydam, Prime Minister of Turkey, declared that Turkey, while continuing to perfect her military preparations, is to maintain her present attitude of non-belligerency.

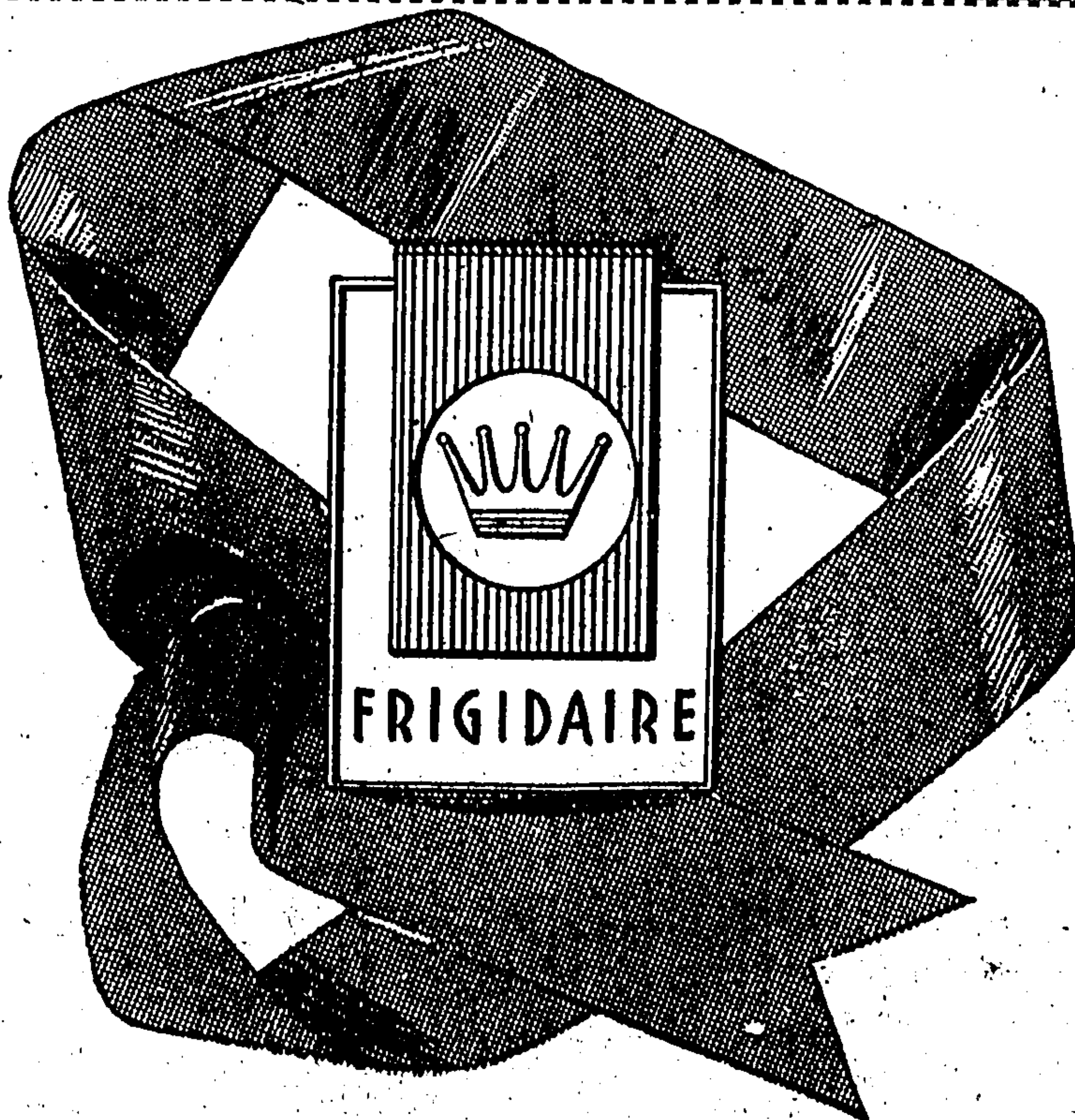
He added: "We hope that by a position of watchfulness and by avoiding any provocation we shall preserve peace for our own country and for those around us." —Reuter.

### DALADIER ARRESTED

Gibraltar, To-day.

A reliable source in Casablanca states all French units have assured General Nogues, High Commissioner in Morocco, of their determination to continue the fight.

It is reported from Casablanca that M. Daladier, the ex-Premier, is under arrest there.—Reuter.



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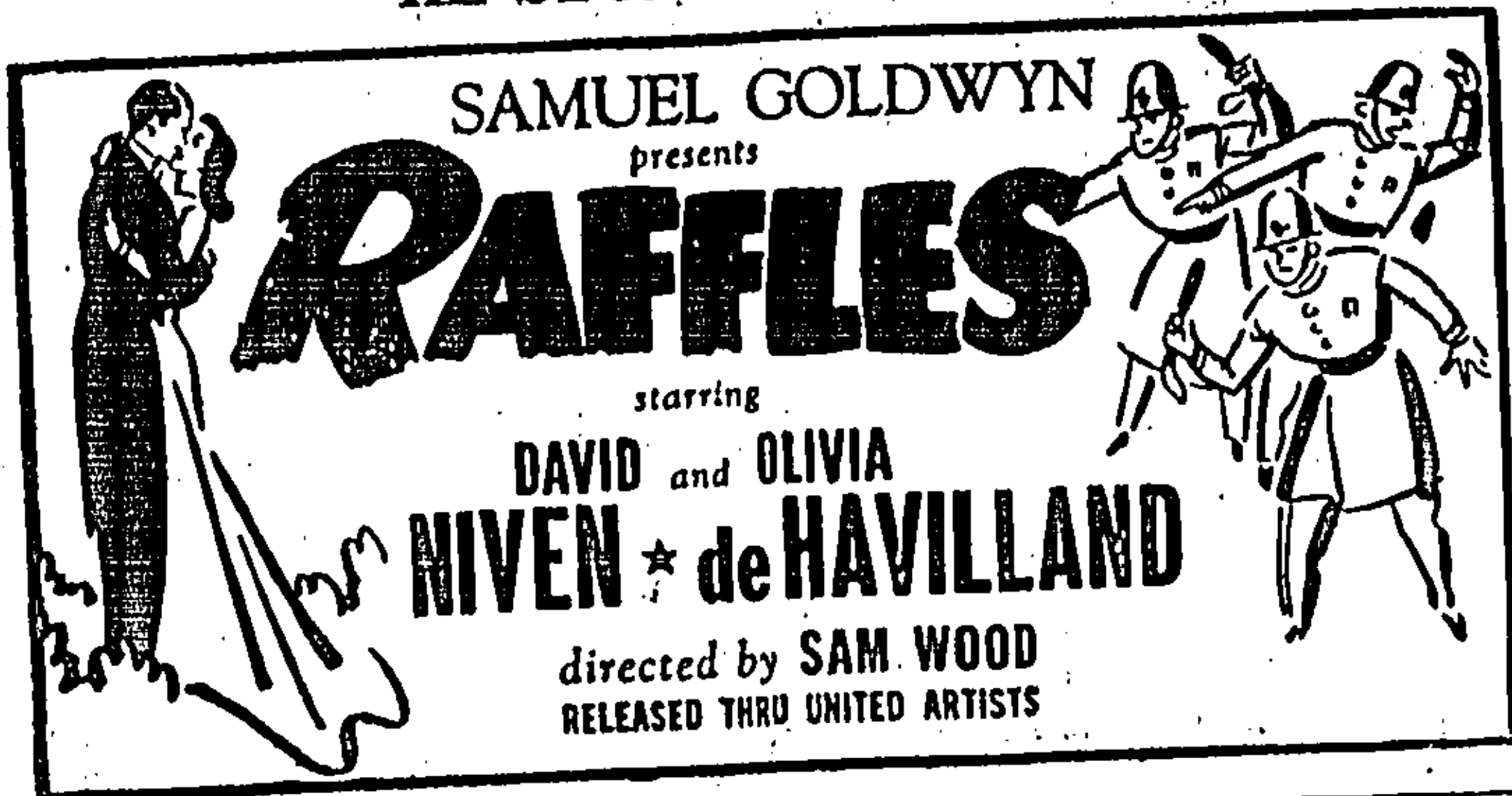


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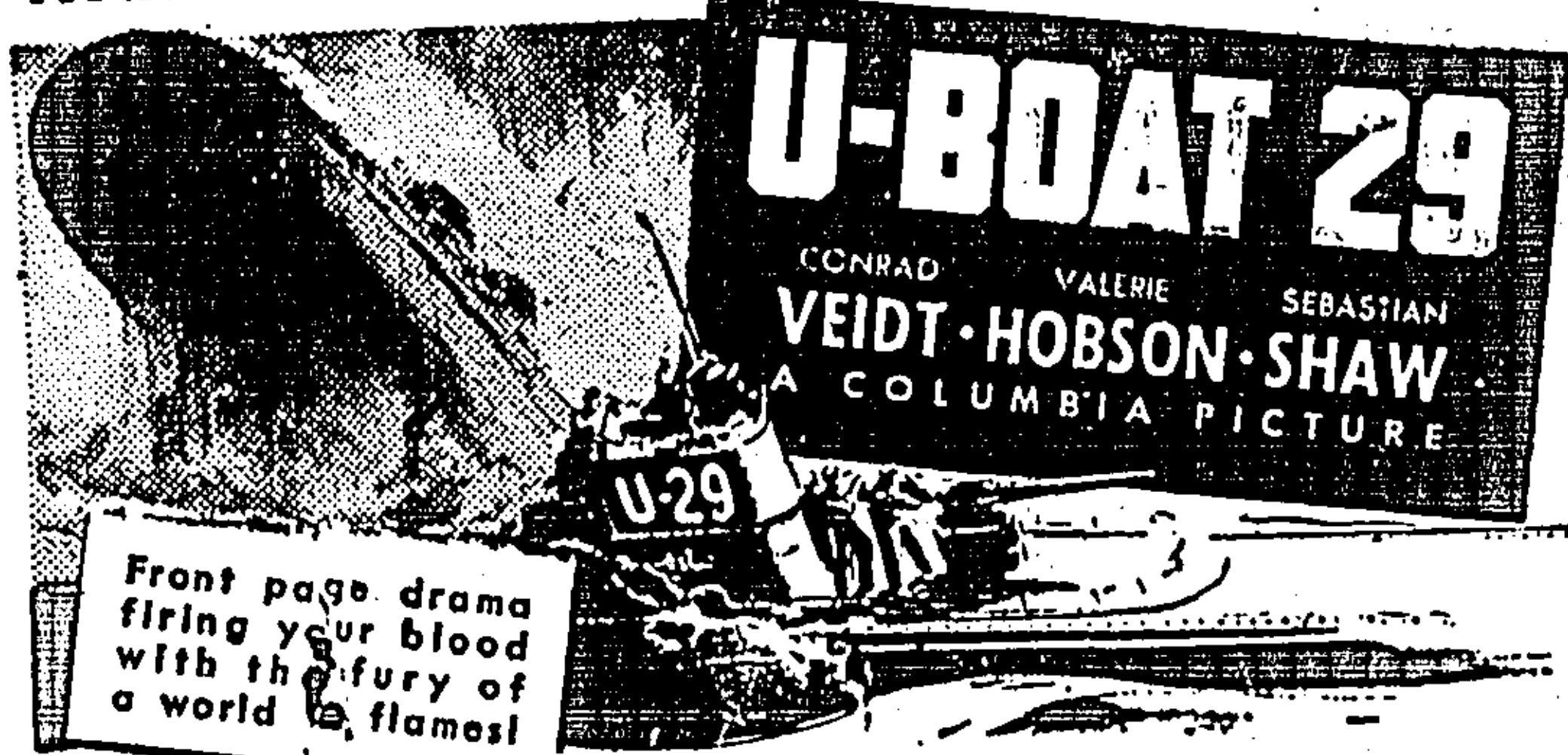
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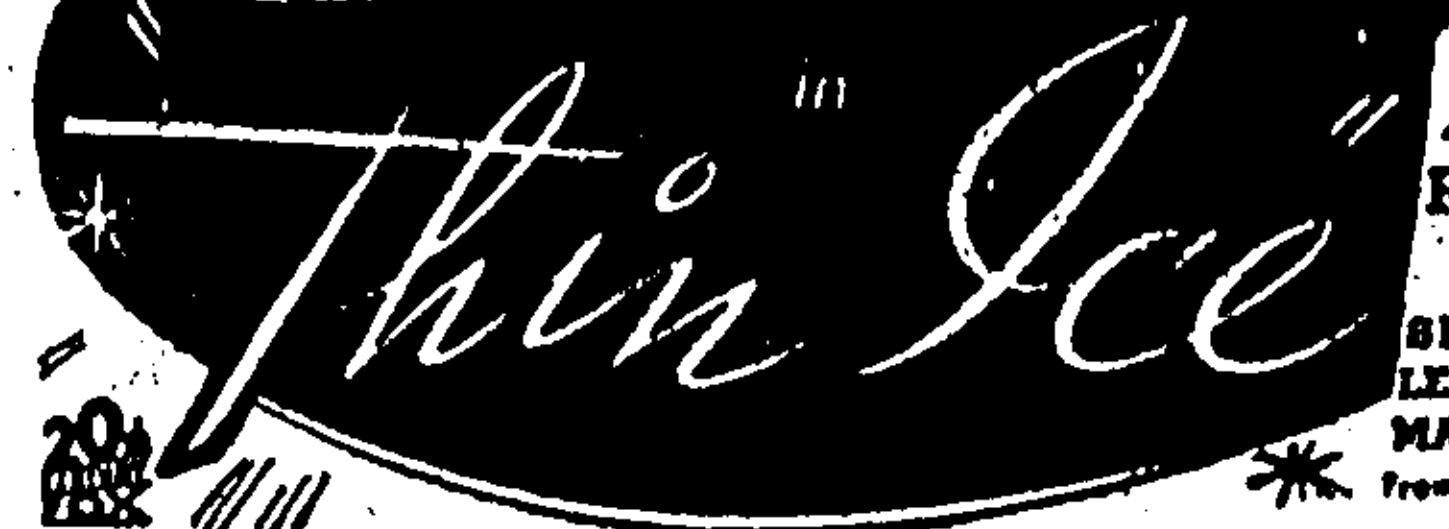
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TO-MORROW: "MOTHER CAREY'S CHICKENS"

## BRITISH LANDING RAIDS ON THE CHANNEL PORTS

London, To-day.

"IN CO-OPERATION WITH the R.A.F., naval and military forces yesterday (Tuesday) carried out a successful reconnaissance of the enemy coast line," states a Ministry of Information communique issued yesterday afternoon.

"Landings were effected at a number of points and contact was made with German troops. Casualties were inflicted and some enemy dead fell into our hands. Much useful information was obtained and our forces suffered no casualties."

The fact that landings were "effected at a number of points" and contacts were made is a reminder of the vast responsibility now assumed by Germany, a semi-official spokesman commented yesterday evening.

Germany is now attempting to hold the entire northern coast of the Continent from North Cape through Norway, Denmark, Germany, Holland, Belgium and France down to the Spanish border—and Germany's naval forces are greatly depleted.

### Channel Ports Visited

In the Channel ports, the Allied troops were able, before they left, to wreck many of the defences and harbour works.

Another reminder of Germany's heavy responsibilities is contained in an Air Ministry communique of successful air patrols on Northern France and Norway.

This communique states that on Tuesday offensive patrols by our fighters were carried out over many aerodromes in France. One of our patrols met a much larger formation of German fighters and shot down three without loss. A later commentary from the Air Ministry, describing the patrols over Norway, states that a new aerodrome near Bergen was left in flames by a Coastal Command squadron.

### Bided Time

A constant watch over Norway had revealed the construction of this new landing ground. Coastal Command bombers waited until work was almost finished and then raided it.

Many bombers were dropped on the runway and incendiary bombs set the barracks and surrounding woods on

## O.B.E. FOR SAVING PILOT FROM BLAZING BOMBER

A man who saved the R.A.F. pilot of a crashed and burning bomber in the face of exploding machine-gun ammunition, and made a vain effort to save two other trapped airmen, has been awarded the medal of the Civil Division of the O.B.E. for meritorious service.

He is Mr. Robert Longstaff, of North Broomhill, and with his brother, George, they carried on with the rescue work until they were driven back by the heat.

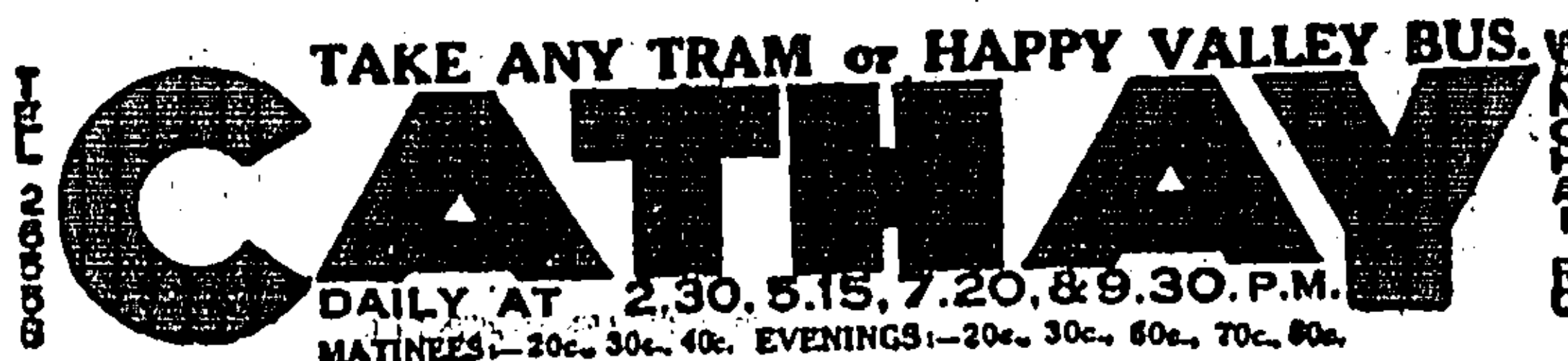
They were warned that there might be bombs on the aircraft.

fire. The planes then flew low and machine-gunned the huts and woods.

Before they left, our planes counted 40 fires on and around the aerodrome.—Reuter.

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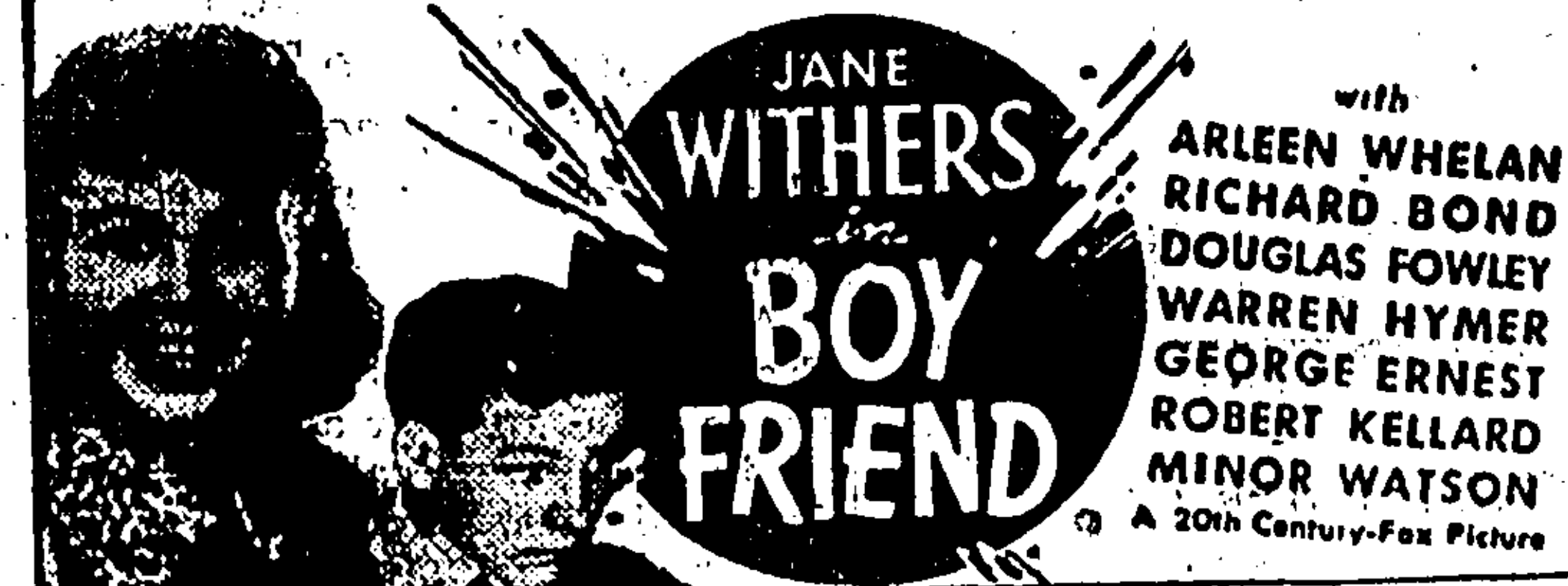
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Men of the Royal Air Force and members of the Women's Auxiliary Air Force made this striking picture as they moved together in marching formation, during training at this R.A.F. station "somewhere in England." Photo shows—Our boys and girls "in blue" in marching formation. (Copyright, Fox).

## SHA-YU-CHUNG OCCUPIED BY JAPANESE

Sha-yu-chung, Mins Bay terminus of the Tai-po-Sha-yu-chung Ferry Service, was occupied by the Japanese at 1 p.m. yesterday following landings east and north-east of the village port early in the morning.

The little Mins Bay port, which, after the Japanese occupation of Canton, was the coastal communication point between the outside world and "free" Kwangtung, was set on fire by the invading forces.

Fires raged all day yesterday and last night, burning the town to the ground. The Chinese Customs Station was also destroyed.

Refugees flocked inland and to the British border, some 300 arriving at Tai-po yesterday by ferry, the service of which was stopped.

### Bias Bay Landings

The invaders came from Bias Bay, the main body being landed at Paikong in Dumbell Bay, north-east of Sha-yu-chung, and the others at Au-tau.

Following a naval bombardment of Au-tau and Paikong early in the morning, the Japanese carried out their landings successfully. Both towns have been reduced to ruins.

Two Japanese warships, accompanied by some 20 armed motor-launches, steamed into Dumbell Bay, before dawn yesterday. The boats conveying some 500 troops went ashore covered by the warships.

After landing the Japanese struck out for Sha-yu-chung with the villagers fleeing in confusion in all directions.

By 1 p.m. they reached Sha-yu-chung.

### 400 Men

There are some 400 troops in Sha-yu-chung it was reported last night. The Japanese who landed at Au-tau proceeded northwards to Tamshui which was occupied two days ago.

There has been no change in the situation along the border, the police are still manning the approaches and the Indian troops are still in reserve positions.

The forces across the border, it is reported, are gathering in the crops.

## JAPAN'S REQUEST TO BRITAIN

London, To-day.

Japan's request to Britain to take effective measures to stop all supplies of war materials to China through Burma and Hong Kong was received in London from Sir Robert Craigie, our Ambassador in Tokyo, on Tuesday, says Reuter's diplomatic correspondent.

The request is being carefully considered by His Majesty's Government.—Reuter.

## EXPENSIVE DRIVING LESSON

Dr. Ramler, of Exchange Building, was summoned before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., this morning, for driving without a valid driver's licence in Upper Albert Road on June 9.

It was stated that defendant was driving down Upper Albert Road at about 9.50 a.m. on June 9, at a slow speed. He was seen to stop the car, and change seats with a lady who was in the car. Defendant was questioned, and it was found that he had no licence to drive a car.

A fine of \$25 was imposed. Mrs. Tobias of St. Joan's Court, No. 74, MacDonnell Road, was summoned for allowing her car to be driven by a person not holding an appropriate licence.

It was stated that Mrs. Tobias was the owner of the car which Dr. Ramler was driving.

She also was fined \$25. A fine of \$5 was imposed on Mrs. E. Boyd, of the Little Shop, Gloucester Arcade, for parking her car No. 6240 for more than two hours in Chater Road car park on June 8.

Mrs. K. Dorrer, of the Hong Kong Hotel, was fined a similar sum for using a horn in a manner calculated to cause public annoyance near Gloucester Building at about 3.19 p.m. on June 10.

Traffic Sub-Inspector F. J. Clarke prosecuted.

The majority are Chinese puppet soldiers, many of which are unarmed.

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## Brussels Stocks Running Low

PHILADELPHIA, TO-DAY.

"THE SPECTRE OF THE MOST DISASTROUS FAMINE IN HISTORY IS HANGING OVER EUROPE," DECLARED EX-PRESIDENT HERBERT HOOVER AT A PRESS CONFERENCE HERE YESTERDAY.

He said: "If the war continues for many months the problem of feeding Europe's millions will be unparalleled in the history of human suffering."

Mr. Hoover predicted Brussels would be without food within 30 to 60 days unless assistance was forthcoming.

He had communicated with the British, German and Belgian Governments seeking permission for some sort of third party intervention to feed the starving because private charity would not handle the situa-

tion. He recalled it took \$25,000,000 a month to feed Belgium during the last war.—Reuter.

### Germany's Gains And Losses

London, To-day.

It must be several weeks before Germany's economic gains and losses resulting from the capitulation of France can be properly estimated.

Germany has gained some stocks of oil in northern France, although part of these stocks were destroyed in the first five weeks of the great battle. There is no doubt, however, that a good deal of petrol has fallen into German hands.

Some of this will have to be kept in France in order to maintain the essential services.

Most of the coal mines in northern France are reported to be flooded.

### Famine Threat

All the available evidence supports the view that famine will overtake Germany and the occupied territories within the next few months. The Czechoslovakian harvest is very bad and there has been considerable slaughtering of live-stock in all the occupied territories.

There is no doubt that Germany will allow suffering to develop in the occupied territories long before the pinch is felt in Germany itself.—Reuter.

### TWO-YEAR SENTENCE ON INCORRIGIBLE

Charged before Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C. and Mr. T. J. Houston this morning, Lo Kau, 41, unemployed, was sentenced to two years' hard labour for stealing \$3 from Lau Ki-shum, shop master, in Wing Lok Street yesterday.

Defendant said that he was compelled to steal because of poverty.

Inspector Tuckett said that defendant extracted the money from complainant's upper jacket pocket. He had nine previous convictions for similar offences.

### FRACTURED SKULL

Cheng Kwok-chu, of No. 360, Shanghai Street, was yesterday admitted to the Kowloon Hospital with a fractured skull, after falling from height at his address. He died shortly after admission.

### FIVE YEAR SENTENCE IN DUBLIN

Dublin, To-day.

Stephen Carroll Held was sentenced yesterday to five years' penal servitude by the special criminal court on charges of aiding an unknown person to attempt to obtain information likely to be prejudicial to the safety of the State.

Held was acquitted of conspiracy to usurp the functions of government by maintaining an armed force and obtaining on behalf of that force the sum of \$20,000.—Reuter.

### WAR MEMORIES OF 25 YEARS AGO

(From the "China Mail" files).

June 27, 1915.

A U-boat has been sunk near Bor-kum; it disappeared below the waves after a terrific explosion. The commander and two of the crew, who were in the conning tower, were saved; the rest of the submarine's company perished.

Petrograd:—The enemy has brought up great forces on the fighting line on the left bank of the Vistula between Ozarjo and Zavichost.

London:—The progress of the Russians and their ability to continue hitting back at pursuing forces will be closely watched in the coming days. The German plan appears to be to separate the central and southern Russian armies and deal the Russians a smashing defeat.

The leading German Socialist news-

### LIBYAN BORDER OPERATIONS

Cairo, To-day.

An "unofficial" statement issued by General Headquarters says patrol activity continued on the Libyan front in the coast sector towards Sidi Azeiz and Bardia and in the south as far as the Oasis of Jarabub.

Our patrols advanced from Jarabub in a north-westerly direction along Masrab el Gebel which is a desert track leading towards the coast region.

It is now confirmed that during the bombing of Mersa Matruh on Sunday there were no British casualties although the Egyptian Army lost three killed and 18 wounded.

A bomb fell within six feet of a concrete shelter without doing any damage or affecting the occupants.

The Libyan natives are reluctant to fight for their Italian masters and it is noted that many mobilised natives refuse point blank to wear the Italian uniform.—Reuter.

### WEATHER REPORT

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is now highest over the Pacific to the east of the Bonins, and is relatively low over China and Manchuria.

Depressions remain over Indo-China and in the vicinity of south Luzon.

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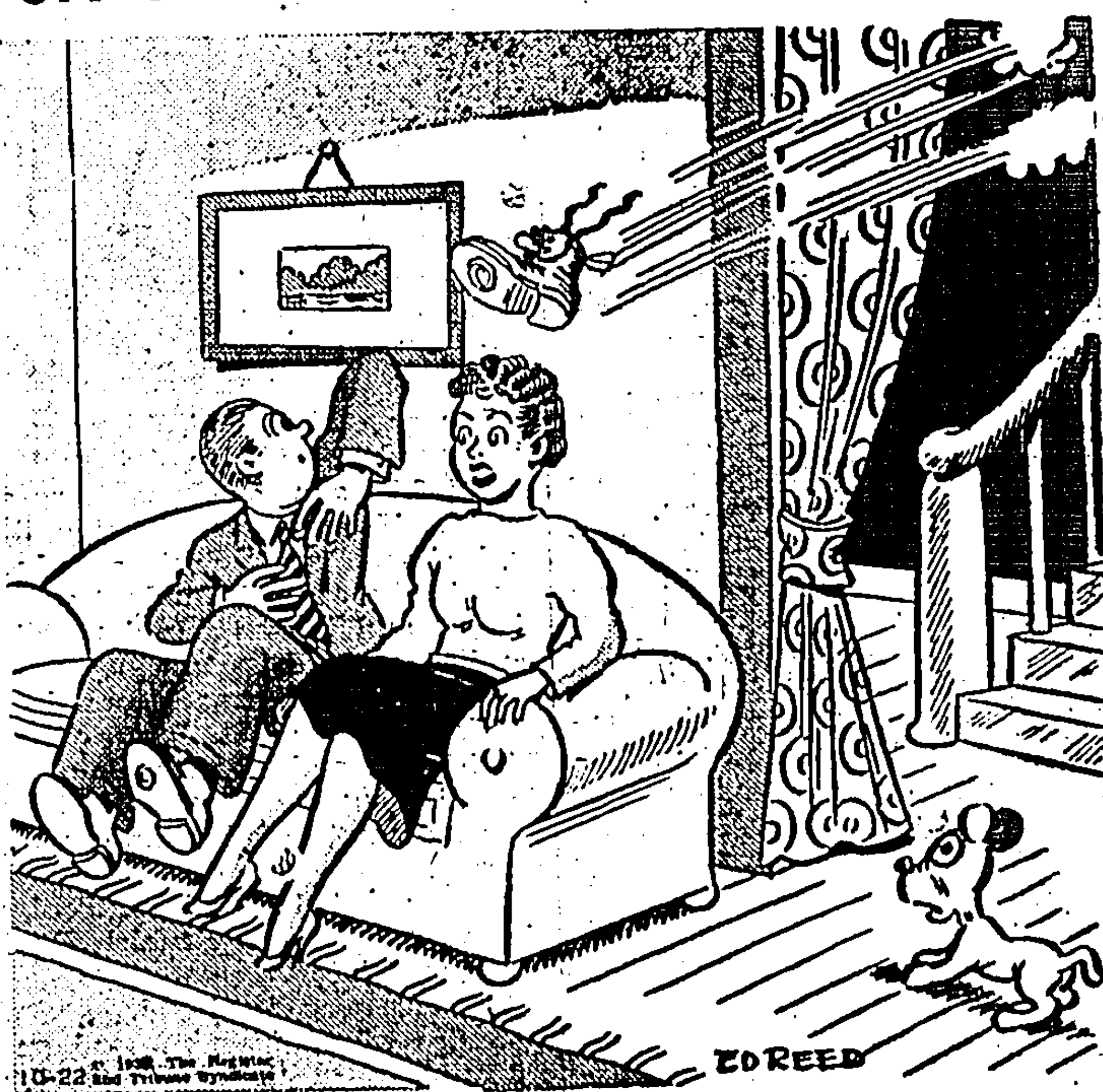


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## FORD REFUSAL TO BUILD FOR BRITAIN

Washington, To-day.

The breakdown of the negotiations with Henry Ford for the manufacture of aero-engines for both Britain and the United States does not affect possible future orders for planes and engines for the United States, declared the spokesman of the National Defence Commission.

The proposed order for aeroplane engines to be divided between Britain and the United States, fell through, the spokesman explained, because two-thirds of the engines were intended for Britain and the number remaining after Ford's refusal to manufacture for Britain was insufficient for mass

## RUMOURISTS IN FULL BLAST

London, To-day.

It was learned in London last night that there is absolutely no truth in reports from abroad that Sir Samuel Hoare, British Ambassador to Spain, has broached the question of peace or armistice terms in Madrid.

On the contrary, Sir Samuel Hoare has emphasised the determination of this country to continue the struggle.—Reuter.

production methods.

Ford recently declared that he was not intending to do business with the British or any other foreign government.—Reuter.

## EXEMPLARY THROUGHOUT

Lisbon, To-day.

The liners Conte Rosso and Monarch of Bermuda arrived here within a short time of each other yesterday.

On board the Conte Rosso were the British Ambassador in Rome and the Embassy staff, members of the South African Legation with their families, numbering 14 in all, the Indian Trade Commissioner in Milan and his Indian assistants and some 280 British subjects from Italy.

In the Monarch of Bermuda were a corresponding Italian party from Britain. The passengers included 128 women and children.

The treatment of the whole party

## MURDER ON RACECOURSE

Murder was committed during the night in the Race Course at Happy Valley.

The Police found the body of an unknown Chinese, between 40 and 45 years of age, on the field, opposite the Grand Stand, at 6.30 a.m.

There were several stab wounds on the body which has since been removed to the Public Mortuary.

A report of a triple murder, said to have been committed in King's Park shortly after 7 p.m. last night, was received by the Kowloon Police, who after investigations found that the information, which was conveyed to them over the telephone, was false.

by the Italian authorities was exemplary throughout.—Reuter.

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LONDON, TO-DAY.

"THE TIME IS APPROACHING WHEN THE ENEMY HAVING OVERRUN ALL OUTLYING FORTS OF LIBERTY, WILL LAUNCH HIS ASSAULT ON THE MAIN CITADEL—OUR OWN LAND," DECLARED MR. ANTHONY EDEN, MINISTER OF WAR, IN A BROADCAST LAST NIGHT.

"The enemy bombing attacks at night will be continued and possibly other forms of attack will be attempted also.

"They will be repulsed and we shall subject the enemy in his own country to constant heavy counter-attack from the air. We are confident the enemy will be beaten off."

Giving reasons for his complete confidence, Mr. Eden said that the character of Britons was the first reason.

"We know you will never flinch. We have learned from the tragic fate of the French nation that civilisation can be preserved by material means alone. We have seen that ramparts of concrete are not enough.

"It is only by the dedication of the human spirit and human will through the length and breadth of the land that complete and final victory can be won.

"These are dangerous days—days when the fibre of our race will be put to a hard test, but we also know in our hearts that they are days of great opportunity such as come to few generations.

#### Standing Alone

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Those over whom the iron wheels of the conqueror have passed base their hopes on our victory. We shall not fail them."

Underlying the official advice to "stay where you are when attacked," Mr. Eden remarked that the mass of refugees helped to lose the Battle of France: they will not lose the Battle of Britain.

#### Air Power

The enemy would soon learn that it was not in the nature of our people to sit placidly and be bombed without retort.

"We have an exceedingly powerful air force which will give the enemy a very bad time. Already, though operating at a great disadvantage, it has inflicted severe losses on him. It had never yet met the enemy without the numerical odds being in the enemy's favour, but remember what happened on the only occasion when it was operating from its own bases and the numerical odds were not utterly fantastic.

During the evacuation of Dunkirk, the R.A.F. is known to have destroyed as many as seventy German aircraft in one day.

"Our airmen can do even better than this in their own skies."

#### A Warning

Adding a word of warning, Mr. Eden said "If some enemy planes get through, and they will, or if the sky above your head contains no British aircraft, don't angrily ask what the R.A.F. is doing? They will be bringing down enemy planes hundreds of miles away preventing damage to those things by which and through which we and our defence will live—docks, factories, ships and aerodromes.

"We have great numbers of machines and we are getting more every day, but we shall always have to use them where they can most harm the enemy, and don't forget our guns, with which this country is now bristling, nor our balloon barrage which caught a couple of enemy raiders the other night.

"I cannot promise you that you will not be bombed, but I can and do promise you that the lot of the invader will become increasingly



Like their famous predecessor, these bluejackets appropriately enough from H.M.S. Drake, find time for a game of bowls at Plymouth Hoe, before attending to more serious business. (Copyright, Fox).

unenviable.

"We are now a fortress—until the time comes for the sally to the attack. It is not sufficient merely to defeat an attack upon these islands."

#### The Military Position

A million and a quarter men under arms in the British Isles have now been increased by the arrival of the Australian and New Zealand contingents and by the return of a large number of British and Allied troops from France.

Many of these men have met the enemy and were confident they could beat him.

"Never before have we have a greater number of soldiers in this island.

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### POLAND TO FIGHT ON FOR LIBERTY

London, To-day.

Poland's determination to fight on shoulder to shoulder with the British Empire was reaffirmed by M. Mikolajczyk, Vice-President of the National Council of the Polish Republic, in a statement issued in London yesterday.

M. Mikolajczyk, who arrived from France with other members of the Polish embryo Parliament, formed under the chairmanship of M. Paderewski in France, said: "The fight for a free and independent Poland goes on despite the cruel failures and disappointments.

"The Poles had, have and must have the will and determination to persevere in this struggle in close co-operation with the powerful British Empire for the liberation of Poland under the leadership of General Sikorski."—Reuter.

### BOMB ARREST IN SHANGHAI

Shanghai, To-day.

The Police have arrested an employee of the "Ta Mei Wan Pao," vernacular evening edition of the "Shanghai Evening Post and Mercury," in connection with the attempt to blow up the paper's printing-shop on Sunday.

The arrested man is said to have confessed that he had been paid to place the parcel, containing the bomb, in the printing-shop. The Police raided the house where the other man was supposed to have resided but he had already disappeared. — Our Own Correspondent.



# BRITAIN'S SKY HAWKS PATROL OVER FRANCE

London, To-day.

**THE AIR MINISTRY ANNOUNCES** that during Tuesday offensive patrols were flown by our fighters over enemy aerodromes near the French coast.

One of our patrols encountered a much larger formation of enemy fighters and shot down three without loss.

R.A.F. bombers made a daylight attack on the enemy-occupied aerodrome at Waalhaven and returned safely. Early yesterday morning our bombers attacked an aerodrome, recently completed by the enemy at Bomoen, near Bergen, and inflicted heavy damage. All our aircraft returned.

## AMERICAN FLEET MOVEMENTS

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

WASHINGTON, TO-DAY.  
MR. STEPHEN EARLY, PRIVATE SECRETARY TO PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, WOULD NOT GIVE DETAILS OF THE MOVEMENTS OF THE AMERICAN FLEET WHICH, ACCORDING TO THE AMERICAN PRESS, IS STEAMING FROM HAWAII TOWARDS THE AMERICAN PACIFIC COAST AND THE PANAMA CANAL.

Navy sources remain silent regarding the destination of the Fleet.

Diplomatic circles think that the Fleet is going to the Atlantic where it might be called upon to play an important role in case the British blockade becomes insufficient and the paths of the Nazi and Fascist penetration reopen towards South America.

The departure of the Fleet from Hawaii is also construed as an indication of the United States policy toward Japan of adapting itself to the situation which seems to imply that Europe is a more immediate menace and more important for the United States than the situation in the Far East seems to imply.—Havas.

## ENGLISHMEN AND FRANCE

London, To-day.

Speaking before the Overseas League, M. Andre Maurois, the great French writer, said that during the last few days he had not heard one word of recrimination or resentment against France by his English friends.

"That only increases my admiration and respect for this country," he said.

He urged all to do everything in their power to maintain, whatever happened, the spirit of friendship, for there were more common beliefs between France and England than between one of them and any other nation.—Reuter.

Weather permitting the Union Church Sunday School Treat will be held on Saturday at 13-mile beach. Buses will leave Union Church, Jordan Road, at 2.15 p.m.

The Air Ministry press service states that Bomoen aerodrome was left in flames after the raid, which was carried out by a squadron of Coastal Command aircraft.

A constant watch kept by reconnaissance aircraft over Norway revealed the construction of this fresh landing ground. Coastal Command bombers waited until the work was almost finished before paying a visit.

Many bombs were dropped. The high explosive missiles wrecked runways with direct hits and incendiary bombs set barrack huts and nearby woods ablaze. As they flew away our bombers counted 40 fires on and around the aerodrome.

### Night Raids

R.A.F. bombers at night continued their attacks on enemy aerodromes, rail communications and other military objectives in Holland and north-west Germany.

Heavy attacks were made on aerodromes at Arnhem and Borkum. At Lingen, near the Dutch frontier, a railway bridge was destroyed.

Damage was done to Hamm railway junction and on a railway siding at Dorsten, north of the Ruhr, a large fire was started.

In the Ruhr, at Osterfeld, a marshalling yard was damaged, and at Monheim an oil refinery severely damaged.

### Bremen Factory

Hits were registered on an aircraft factory at Bremen, and at Cologne a

## M. CORBIN RESIGNS

London, To-day.

M. Corbin, the French Ambassador in London, has resigned.

Reuter's diplomatic correspondent understands the resignation was a personal decision, and that M. Cambon will act as charge d'affaires in London.

M. Corbin has devoted his life to Anglo-French collaboration and feels the latest developments make continuation of his work impossible, at least in an official capacity.

The appointment of a British charge d'affaires to France is being considered and it is understood a decision will be taken as soon as it is clear he can function without interference.—Reuter.

## AIR RAID IN PROGRESS

London, To-day.

Another big German raid on Britain is in progress.

No details are yet available.

An Air Ministry communique is limited to an announcement that enemy aircraft have crossed the coast and that the anti-aircraft defences have gone into action.—Reuter.

### BURNING JUNK

According to an announcement issued by the Harbour Department a burning junk was sighted on Tuesday some 200 miles south-east of Hong Kong, south-west of the Hong Kong-Manila shipping route.

salvo of bombs caused explosions in a chemical works.

One of our bombers returning from this operation shot down an enemy fighter. All our aircraft returned safely.

Two Coastal Command aircraft failed to return from a reconnaissance over Scandinavia.—Reuter.

## NATHAN ROAD INCIDENT

Appearing in the Kowloon Court this morning for the second time in two days, this time as the complainant, Mr. J. M. L. Gutterres, of the Sun Sun Hotel, Nathan Road, accused Sham Kai, 60, of driving without due care and caution at 6.15 p.m. on May 25.

Gutterres alleged that as he was parking in Nathan Road, near Soy Street, defendant coming from behind crashed into the rear of his car.

Mrs. Gutterres corroborated.

Defendant alleged that the complainant overtook him in Nathan Road, and suddenly swerved to the left giving him no time to pull up.

Defendant was, however, convicted and fined \$10.

### LAST AIR MAIL

We are informed that the last air mail posted from Hong Kong for Europe by Imperial Airways to reach home by air all the way was that which left on June 2, and which reached England on June 9.

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## GERMAN CHANCES OF INVASION

What is the opinion in Great Britain regarding a possible German invasion? At one time the idea was dismissed as fantastic by most people, but fortunately the authorities were agreed that the possibility of an attempt was always present and made preparations accordingly.

Recently, and especially since the downfall of France, the subject is again being discussed with renewed vigour and all the chances seem to point to the fact that German must, in her total war against Britain, devise some method of attack on the country itself. The anger expressed in recent German statements that Ireland should allow Britain to defend some of her salient points as a precautionary measure, rather points to the fact that the possibility of using that country as a base, had been envisaged by German military authorities. Ireland, happily awoke to the danger in time. Though desiring to remain neutral, she is fully aware that unarmed neutrality to-day is only an enticing invitation to German domination. The question, therefore, remains. Can Germany hope to invade England in sufficiently large numbers to over-power all resistance? Lt. Colonel Lowe, writing in the "Daily Mail" after the Norway campaign, stated that parachute troops could be dropped in places where no armed forces were available to beat off such an invasion. He thought it would be equally wrong to ignore the possibility of an invasion by troop-carrying planes. He described how a mass of transport planes, escorted by fighter and bomber machines, might break through the British defence. Captain Liddell Hart, who made a close study of the invasion question before the war, did not think of troop transport planes, but he recognised a danger in the dropping of sabotage agents by parachute. These, he said, would have the task, as they did in Holland, of enhancing the effect of bombing raids, of heightening the confusion, cutting telephone and telegraph lines, blowing up bridges and disturbing the food supply of the country. Moreover, they would try, as they did in Poland, Norway, Holland and now France to seize broadcasting stations in order to issue false orders to the forces and the population.

Sir Reginald Bacon, writing in the

"Evening Standard" said that it might be possible to land between 20,000 and 40,000 Germans on various points on the East Coast.

From all these possibilities it is more than likely that Hitler, who has proved the success of "confusion" will try to merge all these factors into a single tactical plan, adapted of course, to the peculiar British conditions. He would, in addition, be in a position to use guns operating from France. Other experts incline to the belief that he will concentrate upon wave after wave of aeroplanes, bombing and causing panic and destruction. As events have materialised in the present campaign, the authorities are not likely to overlook the great possibility of a combined use of every method.

But there are difficulties in the way of a German victory. Hitler is a gambler and so far he has gambled with some success though with terrific loss.

As it has been pointed out, an enemy force landing would be confronted with an army, the strength of which has grown very considerably since the total home army can now be concentrated on British soil. Not only can the coastline be defended, but also all lines of communication and broadcasting stations, as well as other salient points, which it was impossible to do in Norway. Holland succumbed to the activities of fifth columnists and so apparently have the French; not the petty disgruntled underling, but men in high places.

In Britain there is less danger of subversive elements. Every man, disgruntled with his lot or otherwise, is a lover of freedom and freedom under Hitler has been proved to be a myth.

England has not been invaded since September 29, 1066, and Hitler would undoubtedly be glad to be able to tell his countrymen that the second invasion had been carried out under his direction. The propaganda value would be advantageous but British opinion is convinced that an attempted invasion would end, not like the venture of William the Conqueror, but like Napoleon's expedition to Moscow. On the other hand, even should this German gambler's luck still be in it does not mean that the British Empire will crumble. It is more likely that in itself through its great weight it will bring about the downfall of Germany.

## TWENTY-TWO YEARS AGO

When the part played by aeroplanes in the war to-day is considered, it is difficult to realise that at the Battle of Jutland on May 31st, 1918, just twenty-two years ago, aircraft were used in a naval engagement for the first time. The machine concerned was a single British seaplane from the aircraft carrier "Engadine", which was with the battle cruiser fleet.

It was early afternoon when a large amount of smoke was reported on the horizon. Sir David Beatty ordered the "Engadine" to send a seaplane to scout.

The task of hoisting the machine from the ship on to the water took nearly half an hour. The scene has been described as "The seaplanes in the carrier were housed, wings folded and secured for sea, in their hangar. To get a machine on the water when the ship was rolling in a swell was no easy matter. The unwieldy doors of the hangar had to be opened, the seaplane drawn out, the wings spread, and the engine ran up before the machine was hoisted."

Flight Lieutenant F. J. Rutland piloted the plane. Visibility was poor and in order to give his observer a chance to count the numbers of ships and note their dispositions, the pilot was compelled to fly low and close so that he was under constant fire. Shortly after, a petrol pipe broke and the pilot was forced down on to the water. He made good the defect by a piece of rubber tubing and then reported ready to go aloft again. He was, however, told to go alongside his ship and was hoisted on board. This was the one and only seaplane flight and the only

attempt at co-operation between the sea and air forces. The "Engadine" took no further part in the action. The commentator adds that if further reconnaissance flights had been ordered, there was little likelihood that her seaplane could have got off in the tumultuous waters stirred up by the swiftly moving ships.

The aircraft carrier and Flight Lieutenant Rutland had not finished their day's work, however. That evening the "Engadine" fell in with the cruiser "Warrior" making her way out of the battle in a severely damaged condition. The "Engadine" took her in tow and for a hundred miles she struggled along with her charge in the direction of the Scottish coast. The "Warrior" had eventually to be abandoned when it was realised that she was breaking up and the "Engadine" had the delicate task of taking off the ship's company in a rolling sea. One wounded man fell from his stretcher between the two ships and the Captain forbade any to plunge in after him as being an impossible task. Rutland had, however, divested himself of his coat and dived overboard. He succeeded in getting the wounded man on board and was himself rescued, but the seaman was already dead from being crushed by the two ships grinding together.

To-day the air force is one of the most valuable arms of the service and the record of what the British aircraft is doing in the present war makes the solitary reconnaissance flight of 1918, brave as it was under untried circumstances, sound like child's play for present day pilots.

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## FRENCH LEGION IN BRITAIN

London, To-day.

It is announced that General de Gaulle is forming a French volunteer legion in Britain in full agreement with and with the financial backing of the British authorities.

He is also setting up a French centre for armaments and scientific research, placing French brains at the disposal of the Allied cause.

The Legion will be recruited from the French forces and men now on British soil, and arrangements have been made for billeting and arming the first batch.—Reuter.

### Feared Own People

New York, To-day.

Commenting on the fact that the French nation was not told of the armistice terms until Tuesday night, the "New York Herald Tribune" says that the Bordeaux Government apparently feared its own people.

It surrendered the country without consulting them and kept the truth of the surrender from them until it was too late for any popular reaction to upset the terms.—Reuter.

### Nation In Mourning

Bordeaux, To-day.

Although for the people of France the war is over, there are no signs of joy or relief.

The nation is in mourning and people are praying for France in all the churches.—Reuter.

### MAGNETIC STORM

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

A strong magnetic storm yesterday interrupted radio communication between Europe and America and Asia.—Havas.

## REPUBLICAN ELECTION PLANKS

Philadelphia, To-day.

THE REPUBLICAN Party's election platform, as prepared by the resolutions committee of the National Convention, declares:

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The platform urged there should be no third term for any president.

It charged the New Deal Administration with having failed America and leaving the nation unprepared to resist foreign attack, and having attempted to adjourn Congress "during the world's most tragic hour so we might be egged into war by word or deed" during the Congressmen's absence.

The Administration was specially charged with disclosing military details of United States equipment to foreign powers despite protests by the head of the United States armed defence.

### Profoundly Stirred

Concerning the war abroad, the declaration said: "Our sympathies have been profoundly stirred by the inva-

## PANACEA FOR HITLER: PITTMAN GETS WRONG IDEA

Washington, To-day.

SENATOR KEY PITTMAN, chairman of the United States Senate foreign relations committee, suggested in a statement to the press here yesterday that the most effective way to stop Hitler's drive would be to continue the fight from the New World instead of defending England to the last ditch.

He added it was no secret that Britain was totally unprepared for defence and whatever help the United States could give could do no more than delay the result.

"It is conclusively evident that Congress will not authorise intervention in the European war."

Considerable surprise has been aroused in Britain by Senator Pittman's statement.

A London comment last night was that there is complete disagreement with his view that Britain is totally unprepared for defence, as also with his suggestion that what the United States is able to contribute cannot affect the result.

### Poor Gesture

On the contrary, the warmest appreciation is shown here of the magnificent effort now being made in the factories and workshops of the United States to help Great Britain in the coming struggle which she is facing confidently.

It is felt it would be a poor gesture of thanks to America, after the aid given, if the British people, with their 45,000,000 population, were calmly to lay down their arms without a fight—in any case, Great Britain has not the slightest intention of doing so and is determined to carry the struggle through to a victorious end.—Reuter.

### Supplies In Large Quantity

London, To-day.

Supplies of munitions from America are now reaching Britain in large quantities and there is complete disagreement in authoritative quarters here with the suggestion made in a statement to the press by U.S. Senator Key Pittman that what the United States is able to contribute cannot

affect the result of the war.

His view that Britain is totally unprepared for defence is wholly at variance with that of the British Government's naval, military and air advisers whose considered opinion that there are good and reasonable hopes of final victory was the basis of the decision that the war would be prosecuted unrelentingly "if necessary for years, if necessary alone."

### Coming Struggle

A Ministry of Information announcement was made last night emphasizing that the warmest appreciation is felt in Britain for the magnificent effort now being made in the factories and workshops of the United States to help the Allies in the coming struggle.

Britain is facing it with confidence, determined to carry it through to a victorious end.

This confidence is strengthened by trustworthy information that has recently reached London that in Germany war weariness is already setting in and that the German people, who have been living on short commons and suffering many privations, are very tired after the difficult winter.

There is also evidence that senior officers of the German forces have, as a result of the Flanders fighting, acquired a healthy respect for the British Army and that the R.A.F. has established such a reputation for dash

## FRANCE BLOCKADED

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE BRITISH BLOCKADE NOW EXTENDS TO FRANCE, OFFICIAL CIRCLES STATE, AND ALL SHIPS SAILING TO OR FROM FRANCE ARE LIABLE TO BE STOPPED AND FORCED TO UNDERGO THE USUAL PROCEDURE OF CONTRABAND CONTROL.

With the German occupation of the French coast line down to the Spanish border, ships bound for Spain or Portugal are also liable to interception and search. Ships bound for unoccupied France will have to pass the Gibraltar contraband control station.—Reuter.

### ROME REPORT

Rome, To-day.

It is officially stated that 28 were killed in an Allied air raid on Palermo on Sunday and 168 injured.—Reuter.

### BERLIN CLAIM

Berlin, To-day.

A communique claims the torpedoing of the British steamer Saranac (12,000 tons) and other armed British merchantmen.—Reuter.

and daring that early estimates of the possibilities of reducing British resistance by air attack have recently undergone marked modification.

### R.A.F. Initiative

The R.A.F. seized the initiative early in the war and have never ceased to exploit it as the almost daily and nightly bombing of key industry towns in north-west Germany and the Ruhr have shown.

Confidence in the strength of British defences grows stronger here each day while it is believed the Nazi leaders' second thoughts upon an invasion of Britain are probably less sanguine than in the first flush of their successes in Belgium and France, though that does not mean an attempt will not be made.

Germany's successes on land have confronted her with grave economic difficulties which may well compel Hitler to seek a decision with the least possible delay.—British Wireless.

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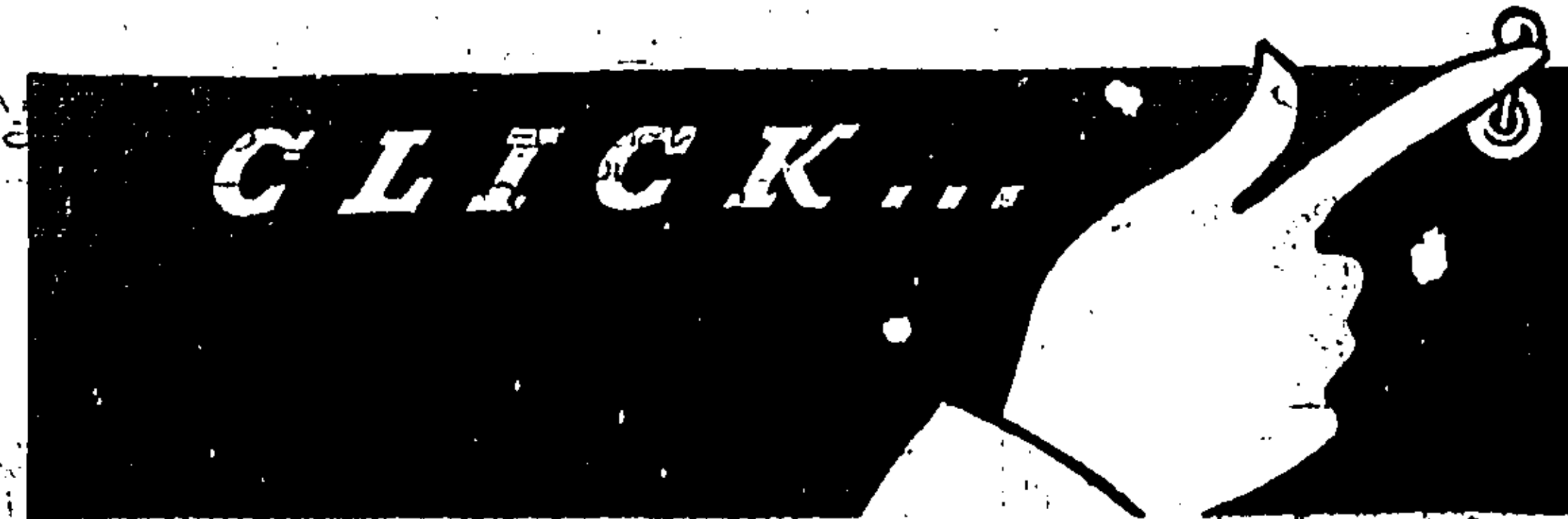


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# PROPAGANDA

It is almost a truism to say that this war is one in which propaganda plays a more important part than it ever did in the past. In no other war have the Radio, Press and other means of influencing public opinion occupied so decisive a position as they now do.

Propaganda has become an actual weapon of warfare, not merely a commentary on, or interpretation of it. Instead of just reporting battles and campaigns of war, Propaganda appears to be fighting them. A propaganda Front has been created not less important than any Front on land, sea or air. And on this Front victories and defeats are decided not by brilliancy of strategy or acts of valour, but by the manner in which they are presented and "sold" to the world.

This business of "selling" the war is entirely a creation of the Nazis. Past masters of the art of propaganda, men who have won every one of their successes less by deeds than by bluff, stagecraft and showmanship, they have introduced the system and manner of the advertising agent into the war. From the very beginning they have set about to advertise their part in the war.

In Great Britain war propaganda is rather more an adjunct to the fighting machine, not the machine itself. Deeds still come before words. An event like the Battle of the River Plate is as yet more significant than the manner in which it is presented. The Altmark affair still has a value of its own, irrespective of the kind of publicity it received.

Nothing illustrates better the difference in character and form of the two methods of propaganda used in this war than do the English and German Radio broadcasts.

British broadcasts to Germany started some months before the war. A start was made with a straight-forward News Bulletin in German which was almost a verbal translation of the B.B.C. English news. Later on Press reviews and speeches by prominent Statesmen were added and finally also direct talks to Germans in their language. In most of these the bare facts were stressed; colouring of news was avoided; whatever there was of propaganda was introduced indirectly.

Now, here is where the curiosity comes in. Although the British broadcasts to Germany have remained substantially the same in character since the outbreak of war, yet their success in Germany and on the Continent is unmistakable and undeniable. There is evidence in plenty that the British broadcasts are being listened to eagerly in Germany, Austria and former Czechoslovakia; and that, not only among people who for political, religious or other reasons are opposed to the Nazi regime, but even among the rank and file of the Nazis themselves who want to know how the war is proceeding.

Many humorous stories are reported from Germany about these broadcasts. For instance, it is known that in many middle-class households the maids are being given extra evenings off during the week, so that the family may remain alone to listen-in. In some homes the children are also sent away, as they too cannot be trusted.

In Czechoslovakia and in Austria, where the opposition to the Nazi regime is stronger and has assumed the form of an organised movement, the broadcasts are of great service to the movement by supplying it with valu-

able and much-needed facts and by linking it up with the rest of the world. The broadcasts form the subjects for discussions and the topic of conversation in the homes, the cafes and at gatherings. In many small provincial towns in Bohemia and Moravia, where listening-in is fraught with great danger because the Gestapo know every one in the town, an arrangement is often made for one person to listen-in and later to relate to the others what he has heard.

The best proof of the effectiveness of these broadcasts in the Third Reich is the fact that the Nazi Government has taken the strictest measures to suppress them. Savage sentences of years of imprisonment are imposed on people caught listening-in. Entire communities of people suspected of being likely to listen-in, are forbidden the use of radios. Thus, in Germany now a Jew may not own a radio set.

## By 'Neutral Observer'

Others are limited to apparatuses which transmit only Nazi broadcasts.

In short, British broadcasts to Germany are not merely playing an important part as war propaganda, but they are undoubtedly also strengthening and consolidating the German Revolutionary movement and hastening the day of the inevitable collapse of the Nazi regime as a whole.

## SHIP COLLISION ACTION

THE ADMIRALTY COURT CLAIM IN CONNECTION WITH THE COLLISION BETWEEN S.S. FLINTSHIRE AND THE OIL TANKER YARRIVILLE NEAR SHANGHAI ON JUNE 15, 1937, WAS CONTINUED BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, SIR ATHOLL MACGREGOR, THIS MORNING.

Plaintiffs, represented by Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Johnson Stokes and Master are the Glen Line owners of the Flintshire, while defendants the Standard Oil Co. of New York, charterers of the Yarriville.

Defendants are represented by the Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almada, Jr., instructed by Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist.

Mr. d'Almada, for the defence, this morning contended that the Flintshire must accept her share of liability for the collision. It had been suggested that the two blasts of Yarriville misled the Flintshire but if so cannot be said to have contributed to the accident.

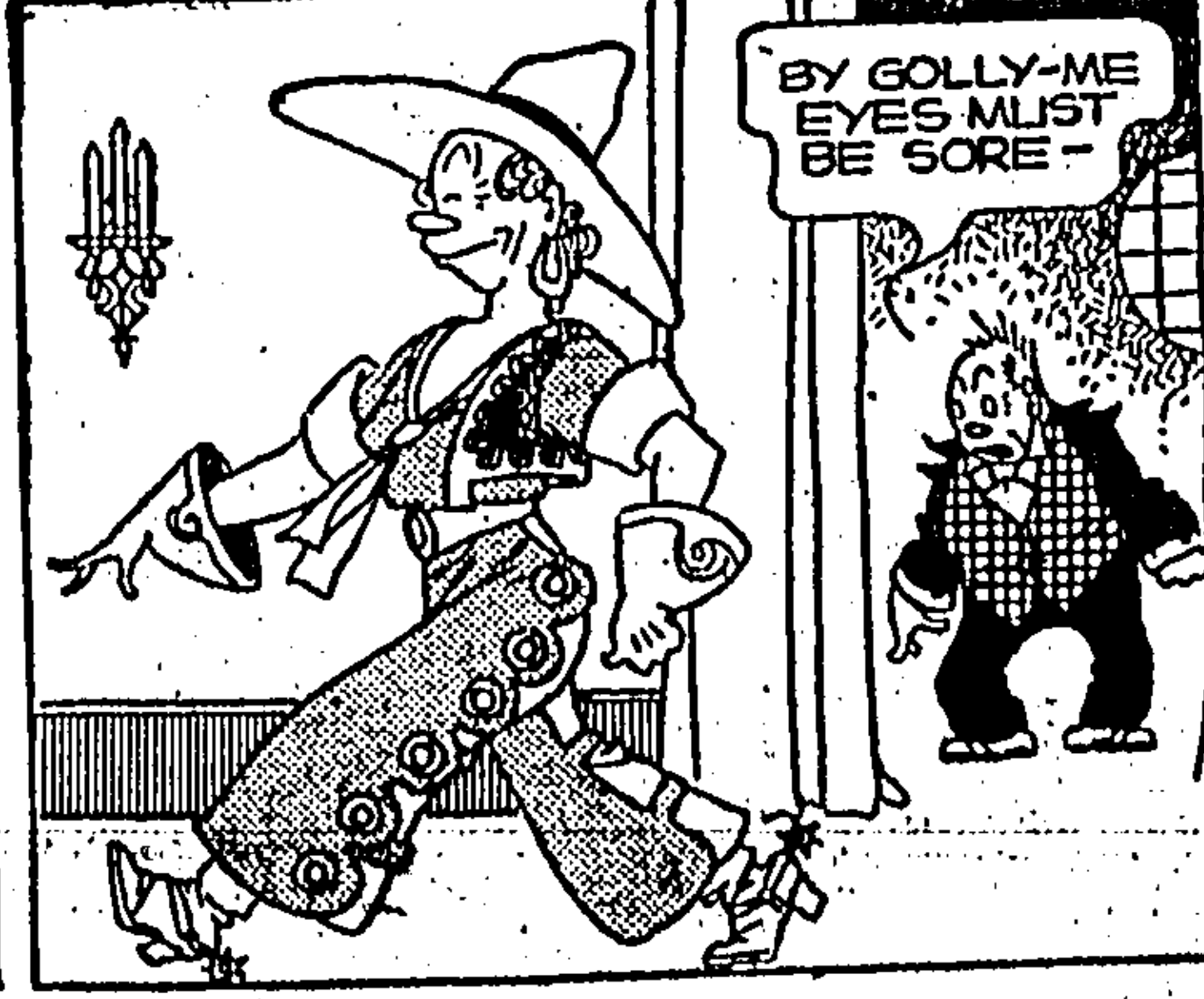
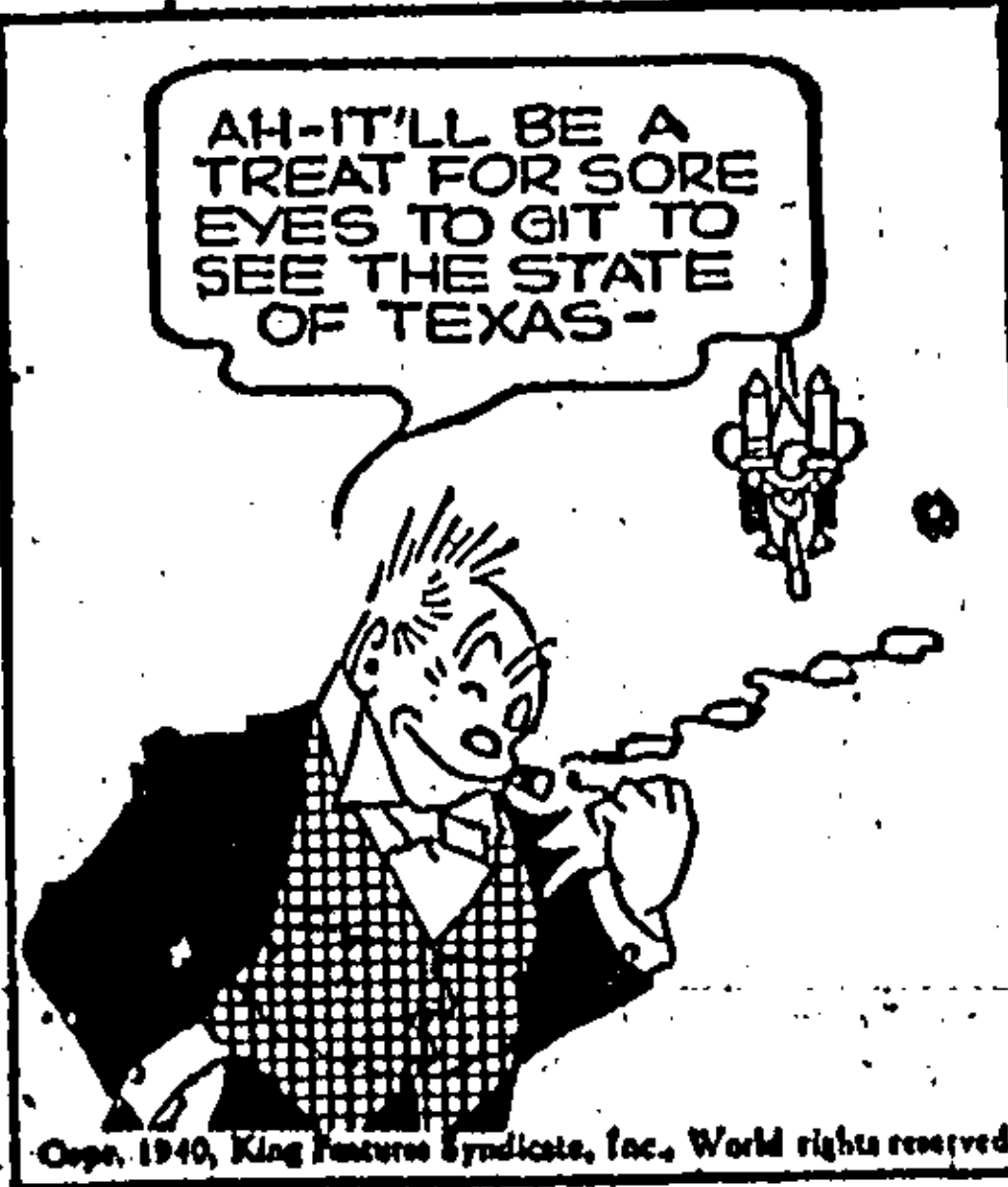
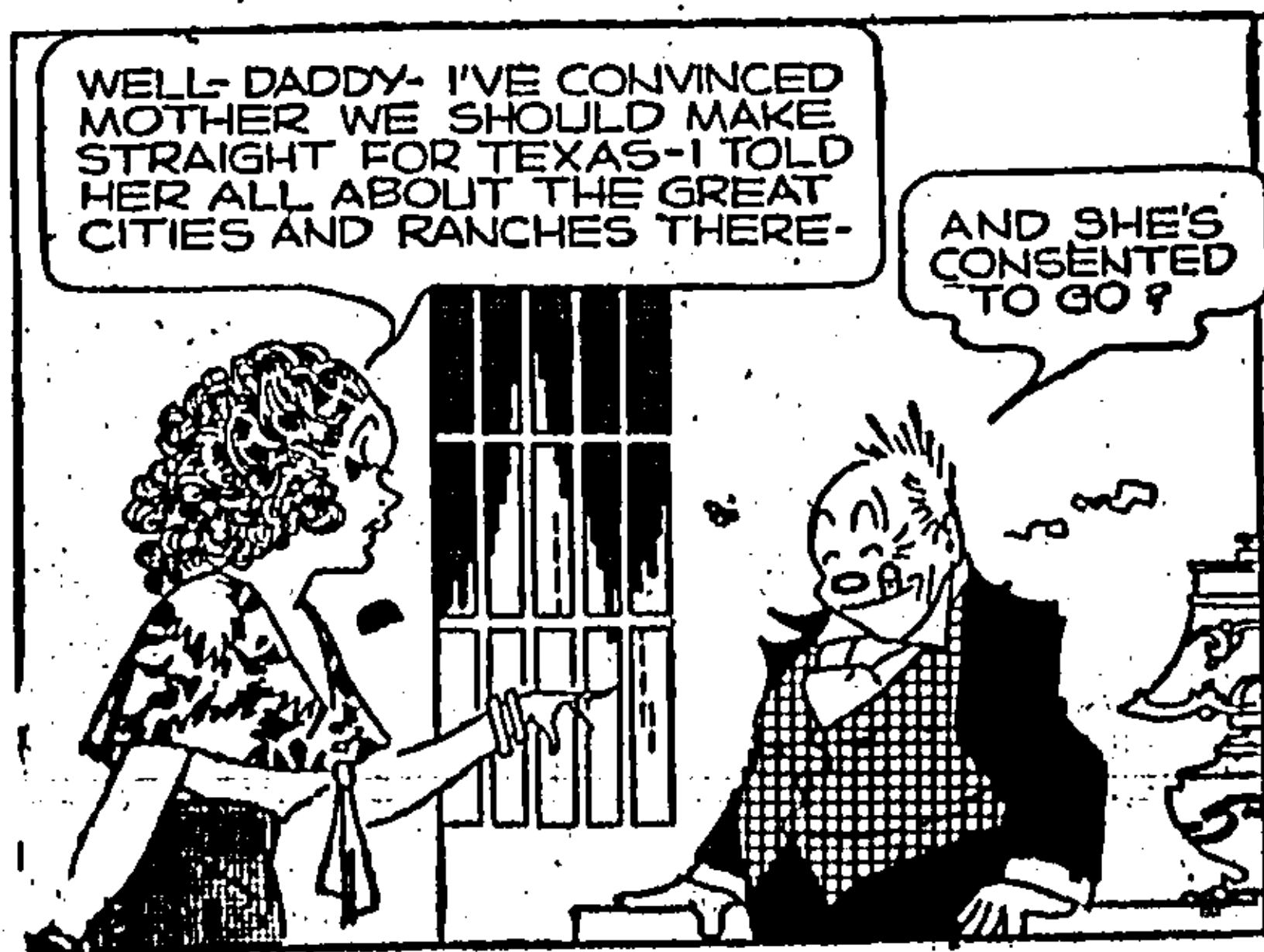
Mr. d'Almada referred to the evidence already taken and said it showed that the Yarriville was going from three to four knots at the time of the collision.

The nature of the damage was such as to show there was insufficient speed to cause locking of the ships.

At 7.08 a.m. the Flintshire ascertained from the second whistle that the Yarriville was on her starboard but failed to ascertain her position. The duty of the Flintshire was to do so.

The case is proceeding.

### Bringing Up Father



By George McManus



# FRENCH COLONIAL EMPIRE: IMMENSE RESOURCES

London, To-day.

**THE FATE OF THE FRENCH Empire** is a matter of close concern to all, but many do not know very much about it, said the Professor of Imperial History of Oxford University, in a broadcast yesterday.

Do we realise, he asked, that, like the British Empire, it is a great world-wide political and economic structure? That the French flag flies beside the British in Asia, Africa and America — in all the continents except Australasia? That the same complex of races in all quarters of the earth owe allegiance to the French Republic as they do to the British Crown?

The French Empire covers 4,250,000 square miles and contains nearly 65,000,000 people, he went on.

In one respect, it is different from the British Empire. Frenchmen have always been more stay-at-home-folk than Englishmen, Scotsmen and Welshmen and except for the Colony on the St. Lawrence, which for many years past now has been happily incorporated in the Dominion of Canada, there are no large French communities overseas.

There are no Dominions, no Commonwealth of Nations. The nearest approach to a Dominion is Algeria, which was occupied 100 years ago. About 1,000,000 Frenchmen live there beside some 6,000,000 Arabs. Algeria has a Governor-General and a Consultative Council, but it is not independent like the British Dominions.

## Part Of France

On the contrary, just as its life and physical characteristics are very much the same as those of southern France, so it is treated politically as a part of France. The Government is—or was, until recently—controlled from Paris. Its representatives sit in the French Parliament—three in the Senate and 10 in the Chamber of Deputies.

France has three other territories on the Mediterranean—Tunisia, between Algeria and Italian Libya, with a European population of over 220,000, of whom over half are French; Bizerta, where a naval base has been built; and French Morocco.

Tunisia and Morocco are not annexed, like Algeria, but are protectorates, and their life is that of the Arab world.

At the eastern end of the Mediterranean are Syria and Lebanon which, like Palestine, are mandated territory. A treaty was drafted to make them independent states in alliance with France, but with the outbreak of war has not been ratified.

## Indo-China

Out in the Far East is Indo-China running from the south Chinese border along the China Sea, and which includes Cochin-China, and the protectorates of Cambodia, Annam, Tonkin and Laos. This country has an area of nearly 300,000 square miles and a population of over 24,000,000.

To the south-east, in the Pacific, there are French Islands as well as British in the South Seas, and New Caledonia is the most important.

Across the Pacific, in the Americas, we again have the French flag beside the British in the little islands off Newfoundland, French West Indies and French Guiana.

And so across to Africa again, and here the largest part of the French Empire is to be found, for no less than one-third of the African continent belongs to France. Besides the Mediterranean territories already mentioned there are two great groups of colonies, French West Africa, which stretches across the Sahara and the plains from the Atlantic to the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan, and French Equatorial Africa, which continues those areas down to the River Congo.

## African Possessions

Except for four British colonies and one or two Spanish colonies, practically the whole north-western quarter of the African continent thus belongs to France. There is also a small colony on the East Coast, French Somaliland, between British Somaliland and Italian Eritrea; French Somaliland

contains the important port of Djibuti.

Further south are Madagascar, together with Reunion and the Comoro Islands. In the Indian Ocean, Madagascar is nearly 1,000 miles long and is the third largest island in the world.

The French Empire is thus a World Empire like that of Britain, and like the British, its resources in manpower and raw materials are enormous.—Reuter.

## NAZI LOSSES IN RAID

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE AIR MINISTRY STATES THAT OF AT LEAST FIVE ENEMY BOMBERS SHOT DOWN IN THE LAST NAZI RAID ON BRITAIN, TWO WERE BROUGHT DOWN IN THE FIRTH OF FORTH AREA AND ONE IN THE SEA OFF THE YORKSHIRE COAST.

One of the five was shot down and another seriously damaged (and afterwards finished off by a Spitfire) by anti-aircraft guns.

Feature of the raid was the close co-operation between the fighter squadrons and the ground defences.—Reuter.

## Fighter Pilots' Stories

Several pilots, on landing, reported they had been greatly helped by searchlights illuminating the enemy.

In one case a flight lieutenant flying a Spitfire who shot down a Heinkel 111 in the Firth of Forth area, first found the bomber when it was illuminated by a cluster of searchlights. While it was held by the beams the Spitfire overhauled it.

The pilot fired a long burst from dead astern. The crippled Heinkel went into a spiral dive with sparks and smoke pouring from it.

Watchers on the ground saw the enemy bomber burst into flames and dive into the sea.

A second Heinkel was brought down in the Firth of Forth area by the leader and sergeant of another squadron. The German machine, after jettisoning its bombs, crashed into the sea.

Another Heinkel dived into the sea off the Yorkshire coast.

Also off the Yorkshire coast, a searchlight crew watched a Dornier first hit by anti-aircraft gunfire and then attacked and shot down into the sea by a Spitfire pilot. Although the pilot was wounded he succeeded in flying back to his base.—British Wireless.

## HONOURS LIST

Information has been received from the Secretary of State for the Colonies to the effect that the Military sections of the postponed King's Birthday Honours List will be published on Thursday, 11th July. It is not proposed to announce a list of Civil Honours until some more appropriate time, which will not, in any event, be before the New Year, 1941.

## TWO LINERS SENT TO EVACUATE AMERICANS

Washington, To-day.

Secretary of State Cordell Hull announced yesterday that the liners Washington and Manhattan are sailing shortly for Galway and Lisbon to evacuate more Americans from the war zone.—Reuter.

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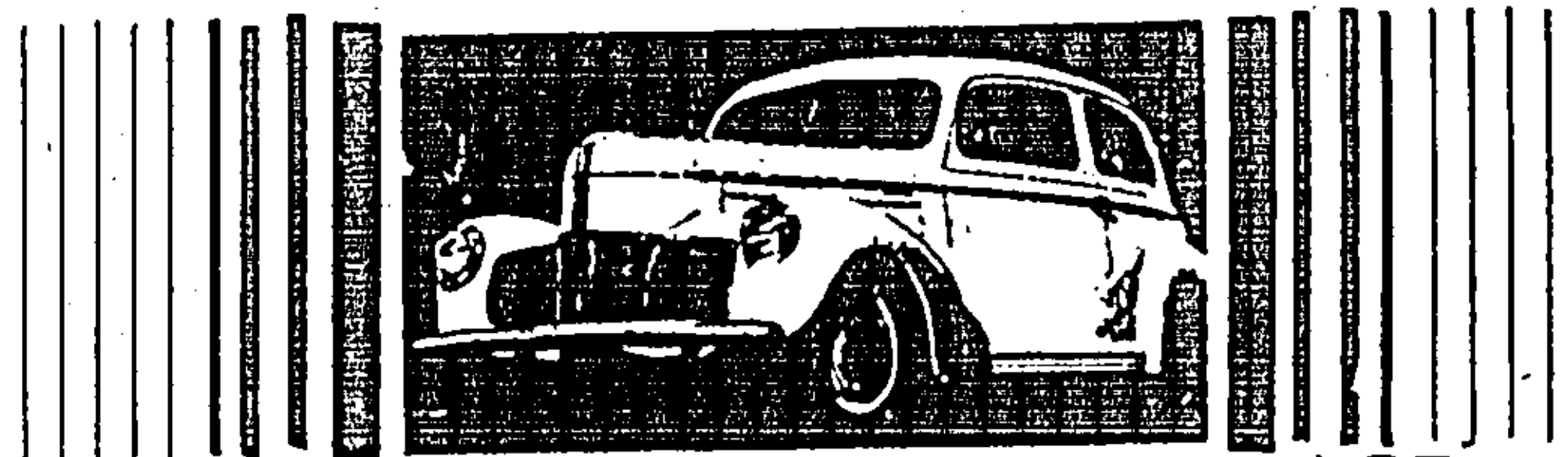
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## SPECIOUS ITALIAN ARMISTICE TERMS

London, To-day.

**AUTHORITATIVE CIRCLES** regard the terms dictated by Italy to France as deceptive. At first glance it might be thought they are not severe but it must be remembered that these are only provisions and cover the interim period before the treaty of peace itself is negotiated.

Clearly Italy's object is to ensure the demilitarisation of all zones of interest to her in the Mediterranean, and this is expressly provided for in the terms now published.

Occupation for the moment is limited to the line occupied by Italian troops when the agreement comes into force but it must be supposed the Italians intend, when peace negotiations are undertaken, to occupy all territories they covet.

To ensure that they will be able to do so they are now taking steps to render impossible any resistance in territories.

Thus demilitarisation includes the surrenders of all weapons, installations and stocks of ammunition and the demolition of fortifications and corresponding stocks of ammunition, further all land, sea and air forces of France itself are to be demobilised and disarmed within a period to be fixed, and in addition Italy reserves that right to demand as guarantee of fulfilment of the armistice conditions, complete or partial surrender of weapons, tanks, armoured cars, vehicles of all kinds and munitions belonging to those units which fought against Italian troops.

#### Swelling Stocks

This last condition suggests perhaps that the Italian army, while naturally anxious to disarm completely their opponents, are not averse to swelling their own stocks.

The terms concerning those portions of the French fleet to be placed under Italian control are similar to the terms exacted by Germany.

They provide that the French fleet is to be concentrated in ports to be indicated and demobilised and disarmed under the control of Italy and Germany, and like the German Government the Italian Government declare they do not intend to use in the present war, units of the French fleet placed under their control; further that on the conclusion of peace the Italian Government do not intend to lay claim to the French fleet.

#### Cannot Be Trusted

No reliance can of course be placed on any German or Italian promise and the Prime Minister in the Commons asked what value we could attach to these assurances, adding that the situation was so uncertain and obscure that he would not attempt to pronounce or speculate upon it.

Particular note, it is felt, should be taken of the fact that Italy will

now have full and uninterrupted right to the use of ports and harbours at Jibuti, and Addis Ababa Italians no doubt hope by this article to keep their crumbling East African Empire alive.

Summing up, it is considered the French have by acceptance of these specious terms—specious in the sense that they appear more lenient on the surface than of course in fact, they are—delivered themselves hand and foot to the Italians whose object it is in due course to annex all metropolitan and colonial territory they covet.

For the moment their occupation is limited to the lines they occupy, which means a small amount of territory on the Mentone front, but this is merely a presage and guarantee of occupations and annexations to come.

—British Wireless.

## POLISH COLLABORATION

London, To-day.

The Prime Minister received at No. 10, Downing Street, General Sikorski, Polish Prime Minister and Commander-in-Chief of the Polish Army which is now in Great Britain.

The two Prime Ministers discussed the future status of the Polish Army and its role in this country.

Full agreement was reached on the basis of the most close collaboration in pursuing the war to a victorious end.—British Wireless.

## FINANCING U.S. ARMS EFFORT

Washington, To-day.

President Roosevelt yesterday signed a Bill authorising the Reconstruction Finance Corporation to finance the acquisition of materials and equipment for national defence.

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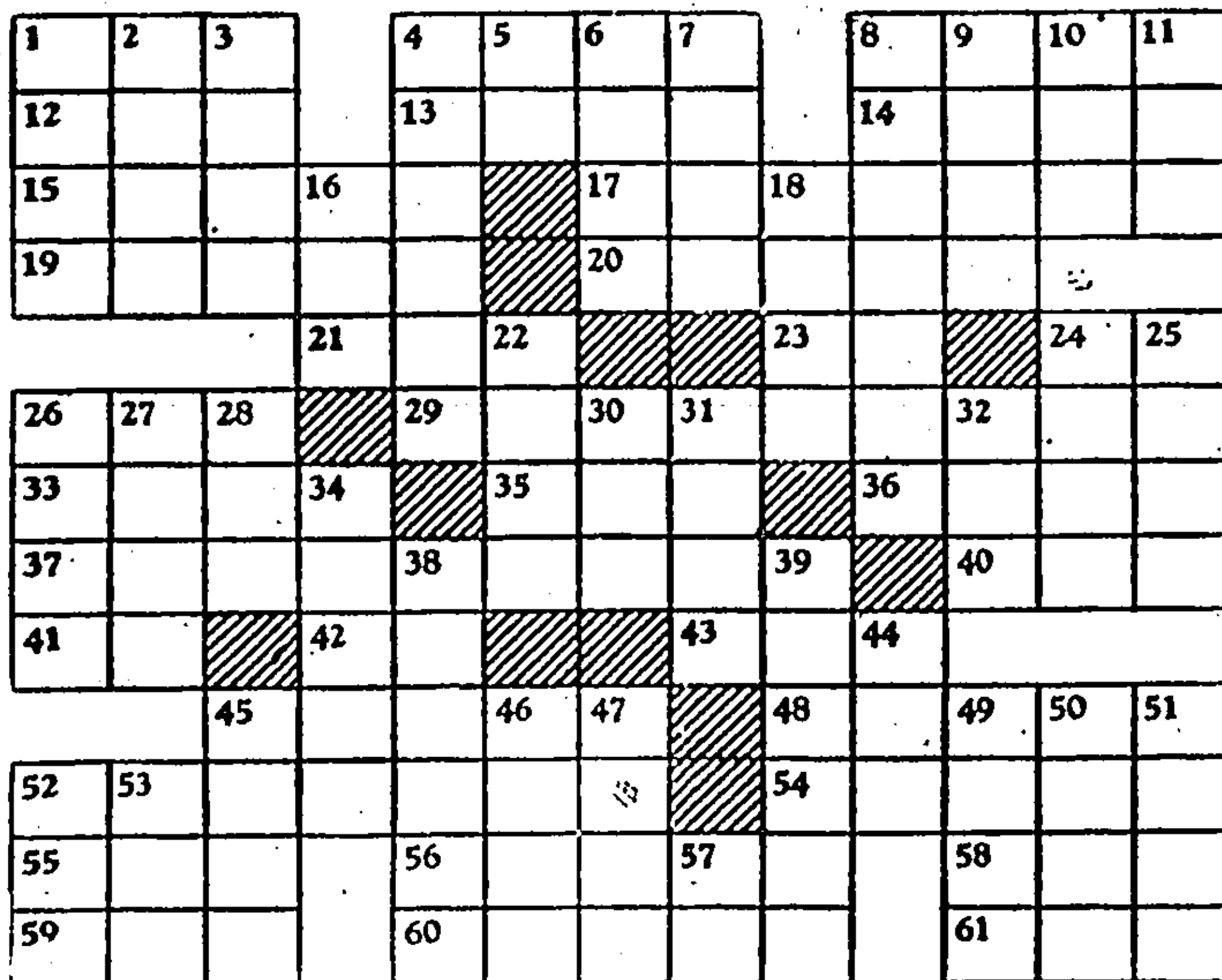
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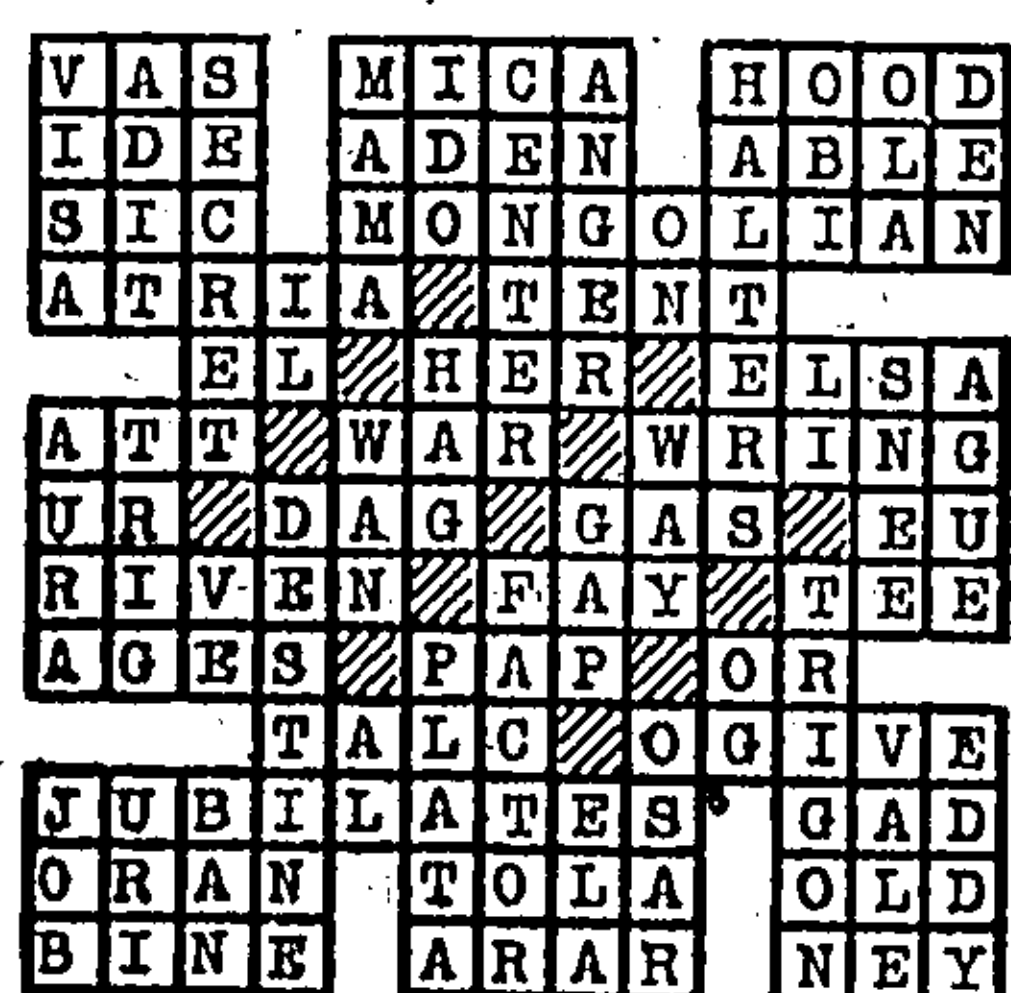
**VERTICAL**

- 55 Sea eagle
- 56 To dip in water
- 58 Sunken fence
- 59 Unit of work
- 60 Equine
- 61 Bushy clump

**VERTICAL**

- 1 Trims
- 2 Spanish cooking vessel
- 3 Frenchman
- 4 Fell into disuse
- 5 Article
- 6 To wander
- 7 European fish

- 8 Music: moving moderately
- 9 To stagger
- 10 Scotch cap
- 11 Pen for swine
- 16 To cry like a cat
- 18 Arabian seaport
- 22 Web
- 24 To jog
- 25 Bones
- 26 So be it
- 27 Hindu mythic sage
- 28 Island
- 30 Whip
- 31 Imitated
- 32 Eon
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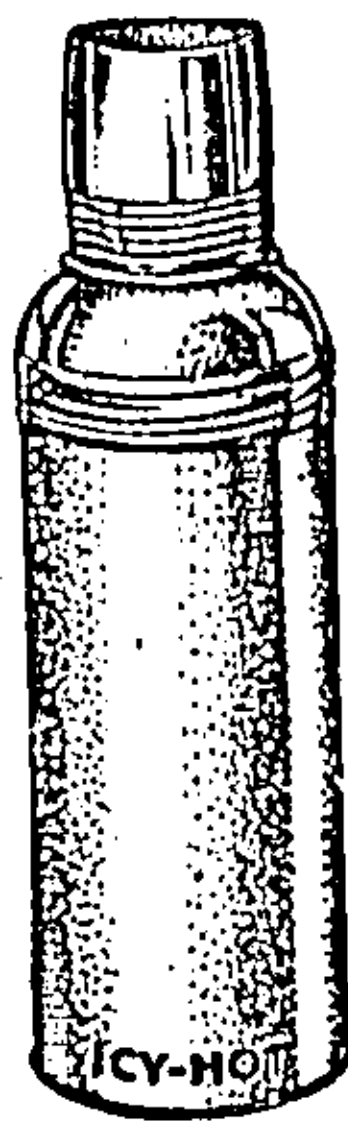
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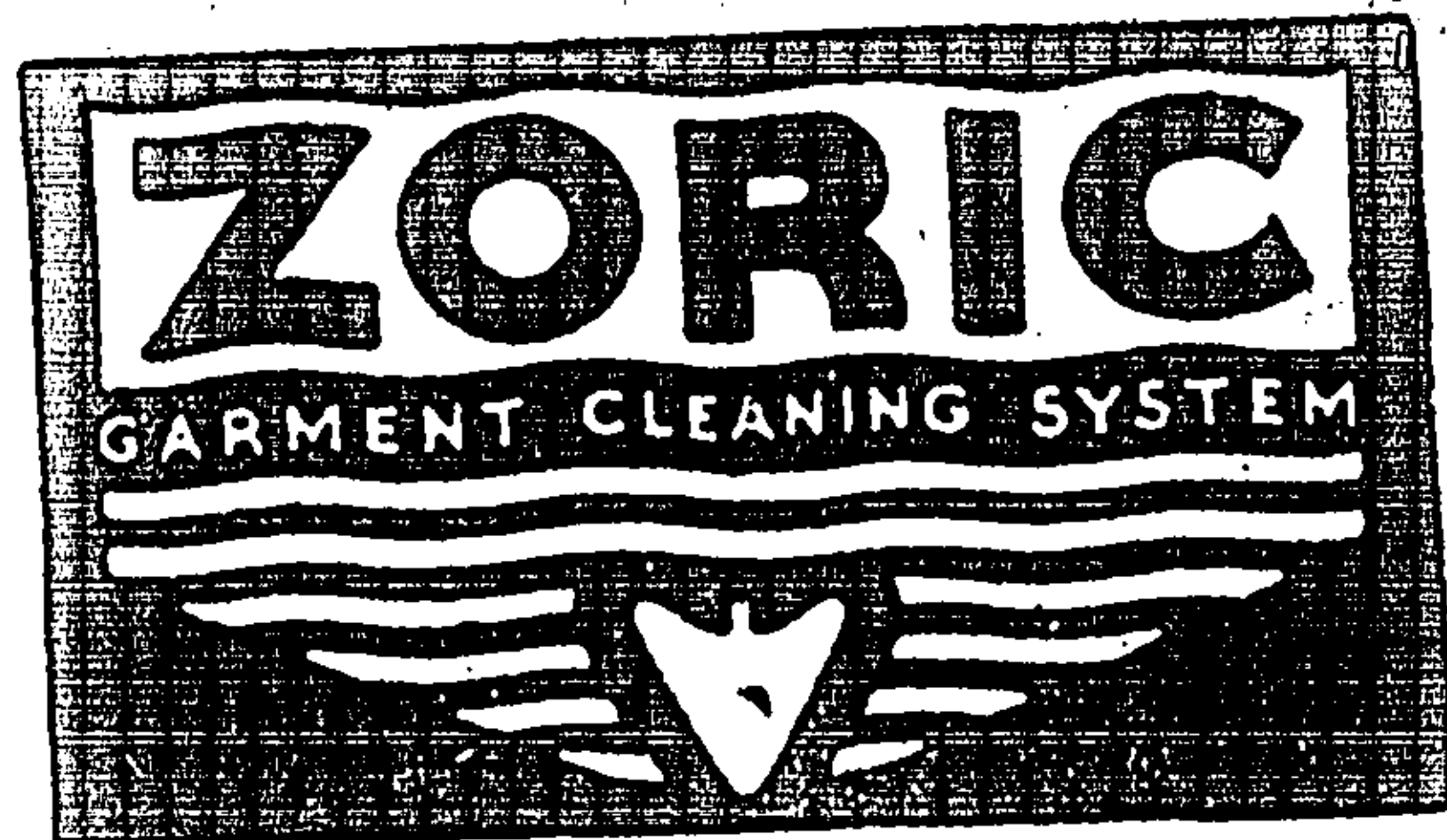
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## ACTING GOVERNOR BROADCASTS WAR FUND APPEAL

IN A BROADCAST last night, H.E. the Acting Governor, Mr. N. L. Smith, made an appeal on behalf of the War Fund which was started about ten days ago by the "South China Morning Post."

"I might say at the outset," said His Excellency, "that only an hour or so ago I received a message from the Secretary of State, expressing the thanks of the home Government for the handsome remittances already cabled to London."

"There must always, I suppose, be a tendency in a colony ten thousand miles away from the seat of war to get a feeling, unless one guards against it, that this is not altogether our war. We have been told to carry on out here as well as we can on a normal peace-time basis. We have been told that our man-power is better employed in Hong Kong than on the field of battle. And so far our trade has prospered and the revenue has poured in."

It is true that the war organisation Fund has worked wonders and is still supporting war charities to the tune of several thousand dollars a week apart from valuable contributions in kind. It is true that the Government which I represent has augmented its normal peace-time defence contribution of six million dollars per annum by two special gifts which have added well over three million dollars to that total. And it is true that the Colony has accepted more or less gladly the special War Taxation legislation which is now making itself felt.

But it was left to Mr. Ben Wylie, with a touch on the pulse of public opinion which Hitler himself might well envy, to launch his Blitzkrieg of a drive for funds at the very moment when the fortunes of war were not looking too easy from our point of view, and when everyone in the Colony was longing to do something concrete to help on the war effort even though fate would not allow him to join the fighting forces in person.

### Wide Terms

I think the promoters were wise in announcing the objects of the fund in wide but quite understandable terms. The money is not going to provide ambulances or socks or cigarettes. On the other hand it is not to be earmarked for bombing aircraft or destroyers or batteries. Simply we say "Clearly the war is not going to be a short one before victory is secured. Clearly there will be need for more and more men and for more and more equipment. Clearly this will need money and yet more money. So here is every penny we can spare."

The immediate success of the drive for contributions must I think have astonished even the most optimistic of its sponsors, and the only fear perhaps is that the vast figures which are published daily in the list of contributors may dissuade some who are still hesitating. It is to these, and more particularly to those who feel that a small contribution is hardly worth making, that I am trying to appeal to-night. You may recollect that on a somewhat similar occasion a certain old lady, when all around her were putting up large contributions, could only afford to give two small coins which are reported to have been worth, at current exchange rates, exactly one farthing. Probably she hardly gave it any more thought than perhaps a sinking feeling that her meagre food ration would have to be reduced for a day.

### Don't Be Scared

What she almost certainly did not know was that her action chanced to be observed by someone with a keener sense of values than most of us and was commended by him as being in itself a nobler gift than, so to speak, the five figure contributions of the taipans of these days.

So don't be scared off by the big figures; even if you can only afford the cost of two seats per week at a movie you will probably get the same sort of glow out of it as the widow's mite gave to her. Send it anonymously if that makes you feel easier, but do let us have this as universal as possible. When the time comes I hope of course that there will be an impressive grand total of dollars; but what would to my mind be even more impressive would be statistics of the number of individual contributions showing that almost everyone in the Colony had done something, however small.

Writing out a cheque may not seem so romantic and dashing as work in a minesweeper or a fighting aeroplane, but it's a good deal less dangerous; and if fate won't allow us to do anything except writing out a cheque surely that is not asking too much.

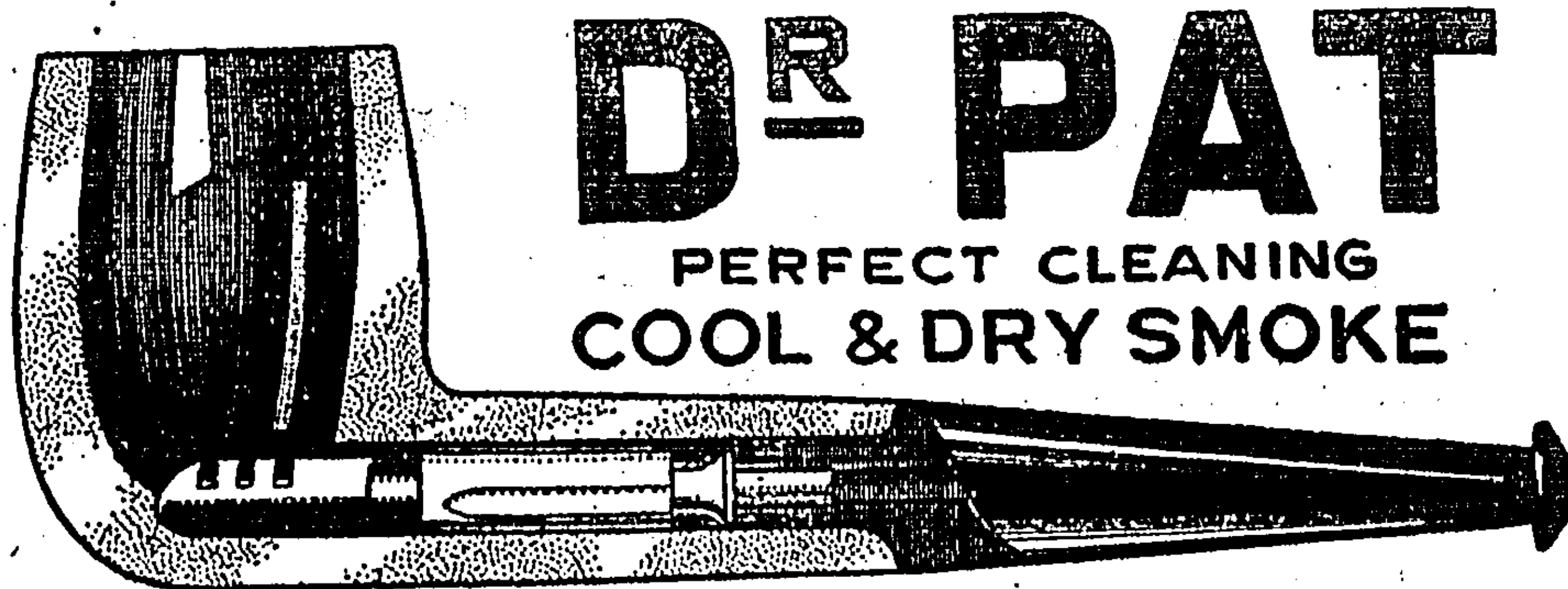
I wonder if I might end by appealing to my many Chinese friends to bear their full share in this drive. I shall not easily forget those words of Mr. Caine in Legislative Council last November, with the war only two months old, when he encouraged in that soft voice of his certain opponents of war taxation who had ventured to suggest that the peace-time defence contribution in our annual budget might perhaps be all that we could afford. He said:—

"What do honourable members imagine would have been the effect if the taxpayer at home had said 'We have paid to keep up an Army and a Navy in peace-time and we shan't pay any more now?' The present war, gentlemen, would have been lost by now and, if that policy had been pursued, there would be no British Empire and no Hong Kong."

It is only natural that this fund should appeal most strongly to those whose own home country is in danger, but I do feel that every dollar that is received from those Chinese whose homes are in Hong Kong will be not only a token of their loyalty to all that the British Empire stands for, or attempts to stand for, but still more will be a clear indication of the hatred, which they all, I am sure feel in their hearts for force, oppression and brutal tyranny.

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## COMPULSORY SERVICE IN INDIA

London, To-day.

The Government of India has come to the conclusion that for the purpose of urgent extension of India's war effort it is now necessary to follow the example of Britain and introduce compulsory service for military and in certain cases for civil and industrial purposes.

Mr. L. M. S. Amery, Secretary for India, revealed this decision in the Commons yesterday when he introduced legislation mainly designed to overcome technical difficulties in the event of complete interruption of communications between India and Britain.

It was within the competence of the authorities to facilitate conscription of British Indian subjects and the appropriate Ordinance would shortly be issued by the Governor-General.

On the other hand, it was beyond the competence of the Indian authorities to conscript European British subjects and accordingly the authority of Parliament here was required.

This section of the Bill now before the House would also allow the Government of Burma to take a similar step. The Bill passed all readings and was sent to the House of Lords. —Reuter.

## TIN CONTROL SCHEME

LONDON, TO-DAY.

THE UNDER-SECRETARY FOR THE COLONIES, MR. G. H. HALL, REPLYING TO A COMMONS QUESTION YESTERDAY, SAID IT WAS UNNECESSARY AND UNDESIRABLE IN THE NATIONAL INTEREST TO BRING THE TIN CONTROL SCHEME TO AN END.

Replying to a further question whether he would consider instructing the International Tin Control to increase the quota to 130 per cent., Mr. Hall said the International Tin Committee was taking all possible steps to secure that no restriction will interfere with production of such quantities of tin as are required to meet needs.

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Mr. Hall added a very close watch was kept on prices. —Reuter.

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## BORDEAUX'S ATTITUDE ON PEACE

Bordeaux, To-day.

A STATEMENT ISSUED BY HAVAS declares the French Government has no indication what the peace treaty will be.

It is considered, however, that no study of this peace treaty should be undertaken immediately and discussion thereon should only be broached together with the whole question of the future of Europe when the war between Germany, Italy and Great Britain is over.

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The Franco-German and Franco-Italian treaties will then be incorporated within the general peace.

Concerning relations between France and Britain, it is pointed out there is not, properly speaking, a separate peace and that the armistice merely recognises a de facto situation, namely the end of hostilities.—Reuter.

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## INDEMNITIES FOR TRAIN VICTIMS

Kunming, To-day.

Indemnities for the victims in the disastrous train accident on the Yunnan-French Indo-China Railway in September last year have been handed by the railway company to the office of the Special Commissioner for Foreign Affairs for Yunnan and Kweichow for distribution.

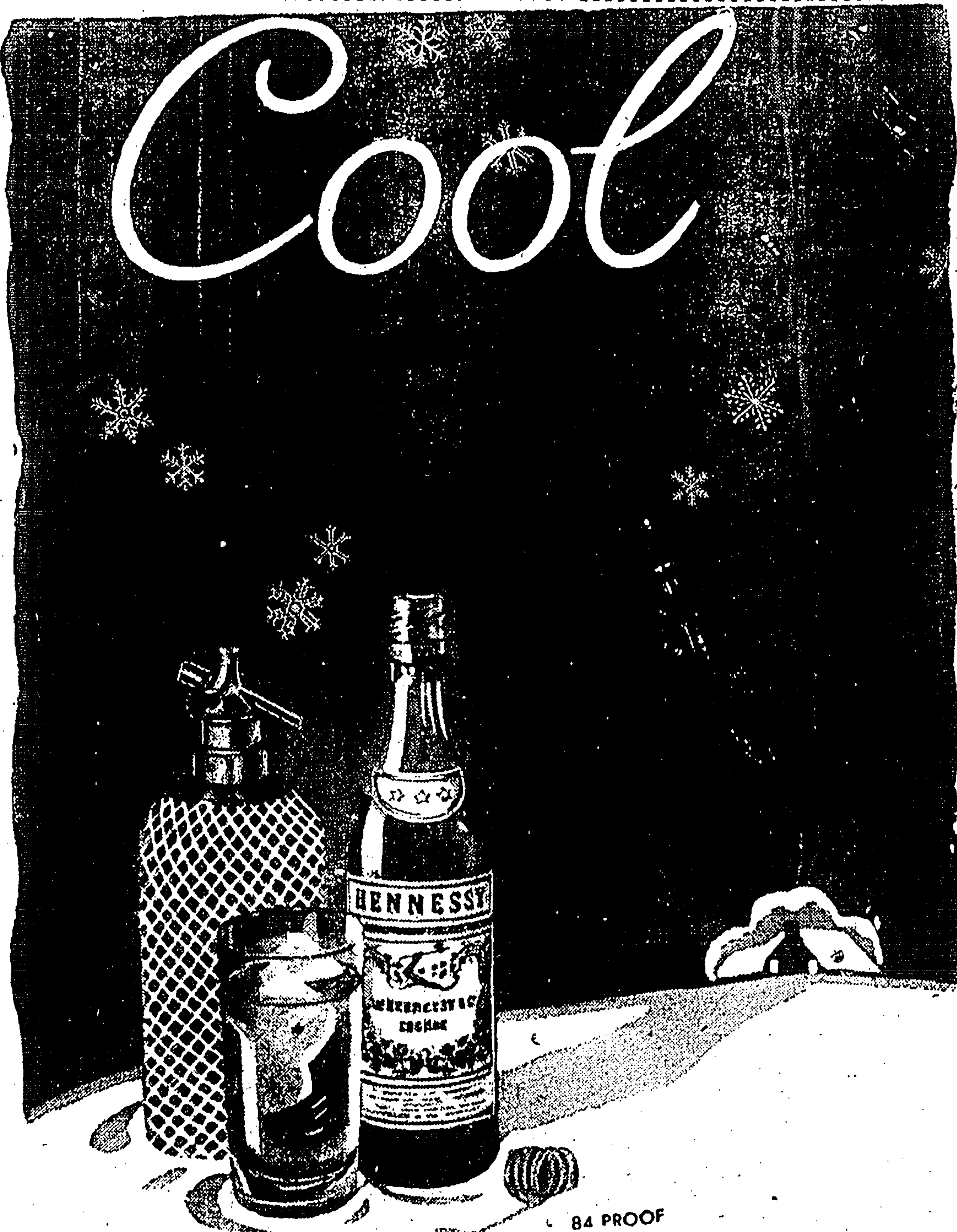
For each of the 13 passengers killed, the company paid \$4,500 and for each of the 12 seriously wounded, \$2,000. Indemnities for losses in baggage and freight were paid by the company to the owners directly.

The accident was caused by the train jumping its track. —Central News.

## FLUCTUATIONS ON STOCK EXCHANGE

London, To-day.

The Stock Exchange fluctuated narrowly yesterday closing lower on balance. Gilt-edged failed to maintain the midday rally. Industrials occasionally resisted the downward trend. Oils lost their firmness on provincial sales. Total volume of trading was only small. Wall Street was easy.—Reuter.



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### London Relays

6.05 p.m.—Studio—Children's Hour.  
6.45 p.m.—Closing Local Stock Quotations.  
6.47 p.m.—B.B.C. Recording—"Ours Is A Nice Hour Ours Is". A Radio Romp devised by Clarkson Rose with Music by Conrad Leonard and Produced by Gordon Crier.  
7.18 p.m.—Piano Duets by Rawicz and Landauer.  
Waltz Memories from Vienna (arr. Rawicz & Landauer); Schubert Time (arr. Rawicz & Landauer); Chopinezza (arr. Rawicz & Landauer); Liszt in Rhythm (arr. Rawicz & Landauer).  
7.30 p.m.—London Relay—The News.

## To-day's Wireless

**ZBW 355 M. (845 k.c.'s) and 31.49 M. 9.52 Megacycles**

8.00 p.m.—Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
8.03 p.m.—Marek Weber and His Orchestra.  
"Die Fledermaus"—Selection (J. Strauss); Golden Rain—Waltz (Waldteufel); "Faust"—Waltz (Gounod).  
8.15 p.m.—London Relay—"Spitfires over Britain". A feature programme on R.A.F. Home Defence.

### French Programme

accomp.  
L'Angelus De La Mer (Revue 'Folle en Fleurs')....Damia (Vocal).  
Jean-Francois et Marie-Claire (Revue 'Folle en Fleurs')....Carmen Torres et Robert Buguet with Orchestra and Chorus of the Folies Bergere.  
On N'A Pas Besoin De La Lune (Misraki); Qu'est-Ce Qu'on Attend (Misraki)....Pils and Tabet (Vocal) with Piano accomp.  
10.15 p.m.—Charpentier—Impressions D'Italie—Suite. Orchestre Symphonique under the direction of Gustave Charpentier.  
10.40 p.m.—Organ Music.  
By The Blue Hawaiian Waters—Medley (Ketelbey); The Vision of Fuji-San (Ketelbey)....Reginald Foort.  
Leslie Stuart Selection. Intro: Soldiers of the King; Tell me, pretty maiden; In the shade of the Palm; Little Dolly Daydream; Sweetheart May; Lily of Laguna....Reginald Foort at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.  
Traumerei (Schumann, arr. Woodhouse)....Sandy MacPherson at the B.B.C. Theatre Organ.  
11.00 p.m.—CLOSE DOWN.



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#### SHIFTING RESPONSIBILITY

While it is a fine principle to develop the bidding in minimums whenever possible, it should be borne in mind that simple raises of your partner's suit are not forcing, and that if you are going to raise his suit, you must jump the bidding if your hand warrants it.

North, Dealer  
Neither side vulnerable

♠ A 9 8 7 6	♠ 10 3
♥ —	♥ A 9 6 5
♦ A 8 5 4	♦ —
♣ A 6 3 2	♣ K J 2
♠ J 5 4	♠ —
♥ K 8 7 3	♥ —
♦ 7 6	♦ —
♣ A 9 5	♣ —

The bidding:

North	East	South	West
Pass	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
2♦	Pass	Pass	Pass

West opened the Ace of clubs and followed with a low club. South won in his own hand, led a diamond to dummy's Ace and continued the suit, making five-odd. It should be noted that with the Jack of clubs in the East hand, five-odd could also be made at spades.

North immediately accused his partner of underbidding, and said to South, "I first bid a spade and then showed two diamonds. Why didn't you, with the King-Queen-small of spades, go to two spades, whereupon I would have contracted for game?"

Actually South might have bid two spades, but it should be noted that the bidding commenced with North

passing: that South, with a High Card Value of but 7½ (in this instance less than 2½ tricks) and 4-3-3-3 distribution, did open the bidding after his partner passed and did keep it alive once more by bidding notrump. Accordingly, when the best his partner could do on the second round was to go to two diamonds, South decided there could be no play for game and that he had better stop before getting too high. However, let's look at the North hand. He had passed originally with a better hand than his partner opened the bidding with. All he had to do was jump to three diamonds on the second round.

With neither side vulnerable, you were Merwin's Maier's partner yesterday and held:

♠ A 9 8 7 6
♥ —
♦ A 8 5 4
♣ Q 8 8 2

The bidding:

You	Burnstone	Maier	Jacoby
Pass	Pass	1♦	Pass
1♠	Pass	1NT	Pass
(?)			

ANSWER: Your correct bid is three diamonds. There should be a very good play for game. (This is discussed in to-day's article).

Score 100% for three diamonds, 30% for two diamonds (an underbid.)

QUESTION NO 447

Neither side is vulnerable. You are Howard Schenken's partner and hold:

♠ K 10
♥ K J x x x
♦ A
♣ A J x x x

The bidding:

Jacoby	Schenken	Maier	You
1♦	Pass	Pass	Dbl.
Pass	1NT	Pass	(?)

What do you bid? (Answer tomorrow.)

(Released by The Bell Syndicate, Inc.)

## REFUGEES FROM KWANG CHOW WAN

A large number of people arrived here yesterday from Kwong Chow Wan.

They stated that Kwong Chow Wan was tense but calm. The majority of the Chinese Government offices have been removed into the interior and all business men have made preparations for immediate departure.

The Chinese educational authorities have ordered all schools to suspend the half-yearly school and college examinations.

## SCOTTISH FOOTBALL SUSPENSION

London, To-day.

The Scottish Football League has suspended competitions until the annual general meeting in 1941 but it is officially stated there is nothing to prevent clubs getting together and forming a competition of their own.—Reuter.



When Kittenish Clara declared her new beau was a treasure, the mentally sketchy girl-friend said she wondered where she dug him up.



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## BASEBALL REVIEW

MINDANAO OR CHUNG HWA FOR  
THIS YEAR'S CHAMPIONSHIP

H.B. So Far Very Disappointing.

## GRAPHIC GOLF

BY BEST BALL  
SOUTH AMERICAN WAY  
IN GOLF

Seeing Martin Pose, Argentina's famed golfer in action, is making some of the older golf fans rub their eyes to make certain the colourful South American is not Walter Hagen as he looked in his prime. Pose, in his twenties, has a style that closely resembles that of the debonair Hagen when he was chalking up win after win for himself both here and abroad. Pose first came into world prominence last year when he played brilliantly in the British Open. Only an unintentional penalty, caused by his lack of knowledge of the English language, kept him from even a better showing in this event.

Possessing a flowing style that is a picture to look at, Pose strives for swinging perfection in practice. During these periods he concentrates on the stroke, each muscle doing its appointed task. Consequently his style is flawless and if he has given more attention to it than the flight of the ball there is no sign of this in actual play for the ball generally travels where the Argentinian has ticketed it. Pose drives and putts well but his technique with the heavy irons is the item which catches the pros' attention. Like Hagen he finishes the shot with a short follow through yet there is plenty of punch in the shot.

Next Article.—Complete Wind-up.

"Y" WATER POLO  
GAMES

At the "Y" last night a team from a British destroyer drew 3-3 with a senior "Y" team after a thrilling encounter while in the second game a team from the M.T.B. Flotilla were completely swamped by a junior "Y" combination by the score of 10-0.

The first encounter was very evenly contested and the result was a fair indication of the play. The Navy possessed a very dangerous set of forwards of whom Paul and Halfyard were most conspicuous with their fast and tricky play. Paul was most impressive both in attack and in defence and scored twice. He was ably supported by Rutter playing at centre-half.

The "Y" fielded a strong line-up including C. Goldman and E. W. Railton who both showed up well.

## NAVY SCORE FIRST

In the first half the Navy opened the

FUTILITY OF ARGUING  
WITH AN UMPIRE

By "Grandstand"

NOW that the baseball season is almost half over let's take a look see how the various teams fared during the first round of the campaign.

U.S.S. Mindanao and Chung Hwa are tied for first place with one defeat each, while Hongkong Brewery and Hong Kong Baseball Club are tied for second place by losing two apiece.

The Leonardmen, with the same players they had last year when they played for Union Brewery, have not been so successful this season playing under the flag of Hongkong Brewery. It will be recalled that under the guidance of Beer Baron Chet Bennett these stalwarts finished the season last year with a clean slate, thanks to the steady pitching of Madeen Arculli and the good support he received from his team-mates both in the field and with the bat. This year Madeen does not seem to be as steady on the mound and the opposition have been giving him the works more often than not with the willow wand. Thus far he has allowed 24 blows in four encounters.

The H.B. heavy sluggers have not come up to expectations with the hickory. In four games they only nicked the rival pitchers for 28 hits including 12 bingles off the lowly Royal Engineers. Bambino Dave Leonard, reputed for his heavy stick work in past years, seems to be slipping. In 10 times at bat he has only made three hits, all of which were clouted in the opening game against Mindanao. Since then the Bambino has been hitless. The other three H.B. sluggers are not doing so well either. Stan Leonard is credited with five hits in 11 times up, George Souza three hits in 10 times to the plate, and H. Ali one hit in seven trips to the platter. Literally the four mentioned above have been to bat more times, but in scoring, base-on-balls, sacrifices and fielder's choices are not counted as times at bat.

Without the services of pitcher Earl Wong, Wilbur Wu and Bill Woo, Chung Hwa did not appear very promising at the start of the season, but with the return of mentor Abe Liu, Chung Hwa's stock has been boosted up and it looks as if they are on easy road to the Bagram Shield and the Brown Cup.

Chucker Bill Chang, formerly of South China, with proper coaching from Abe Liu and with the help of backstop Nip Lum, has developed into a deadly flinger with his easy benders and headsup chucking. The Abemen have been practising a lot with the willow wand and their batting has shown a vast improvement. In five games they have hammered 43 hits with Nip Lum topping the batting list with eight safeties.

scoring through Paul and shortly after May equalised for the "Y".

Halfyard and Paul scored for Navy and Goldman and Chater for "Y".

The junior game was uninteresting and practically a one-sided affair with the "Y" doing all the attacking.

R. Goldman opened the scoring for the "Y" to be followed by Corneck (3), Weller (2) May (3) and Benn (1).

European "Y" (Senior Team):—Eardley; Benn and Railton; May; Hunt, Chater and C. Goldman.

Naval Team:—Mitchell; Willis and Coombes; Rutter; Lt. Carter, Paul and Halfyard.

European "Y" (Junior Team):—Broken-shire; May and Willis; R. Goldman; Corneck, Weller and Benn.

M.T.B.:—Gurd; Stonell and Press; Brown; Davig, Barker and Wallis.

Despite the departure of their bat-tery men moundsman Red Keplinger and catcher Tubby Belke, Mindanao are holding their own on the League ladder. The Chasemen have only dropped one game in five when Hong Kong Baseball Club surprisingly upset the apple cart to give the Miny boys a 6-2 trouncing. It was only a flash in the pan for "Scoop" Smith to strike out 13 bluejackets, but the second or return encounter will be another story.

Tony Mascavage on the rubber for Mindanao is creditably carrying the load for the Chasemen with hard working "Pig" Padgett behind the plate giving Tony much-needed assistance. Mascavage has come down to earth considerably and is not as wild with his pitches as he was at the start when he took over the hillock-assignment after Red Keplinger left on transfer. With the transfer of Ski Powlowski to U.S.S. Mindanao the Chasemen have further strengthened their batting prowess and their outfield department.

Unless Hong Kong Brewery catches up or if Hong Kong Baseball Club give some more surprises, it looks from here that Chung Hwa and Mindanao will fight it out for the much-coveted pennant.

No doubt Hong Kong Baseball Club is much stronger this year than they ever were but I don't think they have a championship team and I even doubt it very much if they will finish with the first three. But you can never be sure, the Molthenmen might do the unexpected and cop the championship. Can do Doc?

Bill Smith showed a lot of promise when he carried the Hongkongites to victory with no less than 13 strike-outs to establish a new high in local baseball, but since then Papa Bear hasn't been so dangerous although he held the H.B. fence-busters to four hits the week after. I have said it before and I will say it again that if Doc Molthen had his regular players out at the park for each and every one of their games they would be roosting on top of the League heap by now.

Most improved team in the League are, of course, the Royal Engineers. I have nothing but praise for these Sappers who have been trying their very best to learn the American pastime and have succeeded in mastering the finer points of the game in such a short time. As sportsmen I have not seen better on the baseball field than these Sappers. In fact sometimes they are too good a sportsmen to squawk when a little of it would be in order. Some of the players on other teams are just the opposite. They squawk for any little thing just to make it miserable for the poor umpire, who, goodness knows, tries his best out there to call them as he sees them.

Talking about umpires I might digress a bit here and make a few remarks about our local arbiters. Much have been said and hard feelings have cropped up because of alleged bad umpiring. Admittedly our local umpires are not the best in the world but they are the best that the League can acquire and it is for team managers and players to co-operate with them and attend to their business of playing ball instead of wasting their efforts in trying to put something over on the umpires.

Remember what Bill Klem said: "A ball player who is continually snarling at and abusing the umpires is an apple head because intelligent ball players realise that if they tackle an umpire they are certain to come off second best. It just doesn't pay and that has been proved hundred of times."

Oh yes, we were talking about the Royal Engineers and their prospects in the League. Well, it has been said before that the Sappers will not set the League on fire this year but what they are learning now will be of great benefit to them next year if they are still around or where ever they may be. Flash Radcliffe and Denyer have taken turns on the mound for them and with a little more experience they ought to be doing much better. Fox has done his work very well indeed behind the bat and if aggressiveness makes a catcher he is the best in the circuit.

South China will no doubt finish in the sediment of the League pool this season. Pau is the only ball player in the South China squad, apparently. The rest are just a bunch of softball players trying to get along. Business manager C. B. Wong has a lot of hopes that his team will not end up at the bottom of the League standings.

SWIMMING  
GALA POSTPONED

Swimming enthusiasts will be sorry to learn that the swimming gala which Victoria Recreation Club hoped to hold on Saturday against Chung Shing Swimming Association has been postponed.

Chung Shing were forced to decline the invitation owing to the fact that most of their swimmers are students who are now engaged in examinations.

It is probable that representatives of V.R.C. will now take part in the open events at the gala European Y.M.C.A. are holding on Saturday.

## BASEKETBALL

PUI YING BEAT  
CHUNG SHING

(By "SPORTSHAWK")

Basketball fans, who go to Chinese Y.M.C.A. every Wednesdays and Saturdays, were treated to really good performances last night when, for the first time of the season, two "A" Division and one "B" Division matches in the All-Chinese Colony Basketball League were played.

The biggest victory in "A" Division matches went to Y.M.C.A., who overwhelmed a weak team from Wah Kui Club no less than 26 points (61-35), after leading by 26 points to 19 at the end of the first half.

Y.M.C.A. had their own ways for the entire game. They were best served by their three forwards, Wong Wai-hung, Luk Tak-chong and Chan Yuk-tong. Their guards were in good form, giving little scope to the opposing forwards, who were really unable to settle down in spite of the effort by Wu Hei-cheng, the centre, who netted five goals and one foul goal for them.

In the other "A" Division game, Pui Ying College students who were down by a single point (20-19) at the interval, improved considerably on the resumption and eventually defeated their opponents, Chung Shing Bathing Club by 48 points to 44.

Despite their youth, the college students displayed clever and tricky play against their more experienced opponents.

The first period of the match was much evenly contested; neither side was enable to lead by more than two points at any stage. On the resumption, the students, however, settled down and within the first five minutes were leading 37-30. The losers were kept out by the defence for a considerable time, until the last seven minutes when their centre, Tang Sit-chau, broke away and scored and added two more goals in quick succession.

Police were no match for Kong Yuan Club in the "B" Division game in which they were trounced by 64 points to 35, after being led by 34-27.

RESULTS		
"A" DIVISION		
Y.M.C.A.	61	Wah Kui Club 35
Pui Ying College	48	Chung Shing Bathing Club 44
"B" DIVISION		
Kong Yuan Club	64	Police 35

## TO-DAY'S TENNIS

The following is to-day's tennis programme:

THURSDAY "D" Division		
K.C.C.	v	C.R.C. "A"
I.R.C.	v	Filipino Club
C.R.C. "B"	v	C.B.A.
K.I.T.C.	v	S.C.A.A.



## KOWLOON TONG

The following have been chosen to represent Kowloon Tong in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:

Second Division (v Club de Recreio, Home):—N. A. E. Mackay, H. Y. Hsu, H. Gittins and A. H. Basto (Skip); Y. H. Taha, T. K. Lim, J. N. Wong and J. L. Stephens (Skip); H. A. Castro, A. E. H. Castro, W. J. Howard and A. J. Kew (Skip).

## K.B.G.C.

The following have been chosen to represent Kowloon Bowling Green Club in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:—

First Division (v P.R.C., Home):—T. Armstrong, H. White, D. W. Waterton and A. J. Hall (Skip); G. W. Deacon, J. C. Gill, J. G. Meyer and G. H. Sherriff (Skip); W. L. Walker, W. Harrower, A. Hyde-Lay and A. M. Holland (Skip).

L. Sykes, E. V. Searle, H. Lockhart and G. E. F. Thompson (Skip).

Second Division (v K.F.C., Away):—E. F. Pope, E. Levett, F. Cheesman and R. Duncan (Skip); A. Morton, E. A. Atkins, V. C. Dixon and H. E. Drew (Skip).

## LAWN BOWLS TEAMS

Third Division (v I.R.C., Away):—E. Scard, S. C. Walker, C. Wallis and K. C. Hamilton (Skip); H. Spong, C. E. Langley, P. A. Peckham and L. A. Jordan (Skip); H. Bicknell, W. H. Organ, G. S. Hammond and J. S. Dinnen (Skip).

## K.C.C.

The following have been chosen to represent Kowloon Cricket Club in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:—

First Division (v I.R.C., Home):—A. W. Smith, T. Madar, W. Mulcahy and E. Kern (Skip); G. Lee, G. Moss, H. Overy and E. C. Fincher (Skip); V. C. Labrum, J. W. M. Brown, J. Fraser and F. Goodwin (Skip).

Second Division (v C.C.C., Away):—C. J. Tacchi, R. B. Wellwood, A. W. Ramsey and T. W. Carr (Skip); R. Leigh, L. Jack, G. Taylor and A. Spary (Skip); F. A. Fabel, W. Parsons, R. Marks and J. M. Jack

(Skip). Reserves:—A. C. Tribble, C. Champelovier, E. Curtis, W. Lee and A. Madar.

## H.K.E.R.C.

The following have been chosen to represent Hong Kong Electric Recreation Club in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:—

Third Division (v K.F.C., Home):—A. G. Gardner, W. Stoker, J. F. Lunny and A. F. Paul (Skip); A. P. Tarbuck, C. E. Gahagan, S. Deacon and J. K. Sloan (Skip); R. A. Owens, W. E. Baker, G. T. Padgett and G. G. S. Thomson (Skip).

Reserves:—R. F. Gregory.

## K.D.R.C.

The following have been chosen to represent Kowloon Docks Recreation Club in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:

First Division (v C.C.C., Home):—R. H. Lapsley, J. Revie, M. Ferguson and F. Callen (Skip); A. M. Calman, J. G. Ozorio, Xavier and E. Souza (Skip).

T. Calman and J. Kempton (Skip); W. Houston, C. Thom, R. Morrison and J. McKelvie (Skip).

## RECREIO

The following have been chosen to represent Club de Recreio in the Lawn Bowls League on Saturday:

First Division (Recreio "A" v H.K.F.C., Home):—L. F. Xavier, F. X. Soares, R. F. Luz and H. A. Alves (Skip); L. J. Silva, C. M. Silva, J. V. Ribeiro and F. X. Silva (Skip); J. A. Luz, C. E. Marques, F. V. Ribeiro and C. G. Silva (Skip).

First Division (Recreio "B" v C.S.C.C., Away):—D. C. Alves, C. G. Pereira, A. P. Guterres and B. Basto (Skip); F. A. Machado, C. H. Basto, C. Roza Pereira and J. J. Basto (Skip); A. P. Pereira, A. T. Noronha, J. C. Remedios and J. Noronha (Skip).

Second Division (v K.T.C., Away):—M. F. Alarcon, B. Alves, A. Rodrigues and O. P. Remedios (Skip); P. M. N. Silva, J. A. Remedios, C. M. S. Alves and P. Yvanovich (Skip); F. A. Xavier, H. R. Pinna, A. M.

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## PUBLIC AUCTION

PARTICULARS AND CONDITIONS of the Sale by Public Auction to be held on Tuesday, the 2nd day of July, 1940, at 3 p.m., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of Crown Land at Kowloon Tsai, in the Colony of Hong Kong for a term of 75 years, commencing from 1st July, 1898, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 24 years less the last three days thereof.

Intending bidders are advised that immediately after the disposal of the lot the Purchaser (if not the applicant) will be required to deposit with an authorised officer who will be present at the sale, the sum of two hundred dollars, (\$200) in cash. This sum will be refunded on payment of the Purchase price.

## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements				Contents in sq. ft.	Annual Rental	Upset Price
			N.	S.	E.	W.			
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 2802.	Kowloon Tsai, junction of Waterloo Road and Derby Road.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	As per sale plan	About 12,000	\$7200
								\$138	



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2	Tsun Wan Inland Lot No. 23.	D.P. 381, Tai Lam Chung, North-east of Tsun Wan Inland Lot No. 21.	ft.	ft.	ft.	ft.	As per sale plan	About 91,040	\$418
								\$418	\$3,642

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## JAPANESE POWER MONOPOLY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Peiping, To-day.  
Aiming at the development of electrical business, the North China Electric Company has taken over 19 electric concerns near Paotingfu.

Many other plants at Tsinanfu and Tsingtao are expected to be placed under its management shortly.

The company will also induce foreign managed firms such as the Tungchow Electric Company and others, to join it and will secure their rights in capital investment in order to assure the electrification of North China. — Havas.

## ECUADOR & PETAIN

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Quita, To-day.  
Non-recognition of the occupation of a country being one of the fundamental doctrines established by the Pan-American Conference, the Government of Ecuador cannot recognise the occupation of France by the German and Italian forces, the official spokesman said here yesterday.

He added that since the Government of Ecuador had not received from the French Government notification of the armistice signed between France and Germany, Ecuador still considers France a belligerent country. — Havas.

Miss S. Hyndman, of Leung Ling Yeung Terrace, walking in Tung Street yesterday, was victim of a snatcher who stole a gold bracelet.

## THREE JAPANESE PLANES SHOT DOWN

Chungking, To-day.

The Chungking Air Defence Headquarters announced that three Japanese planes were shot down in the enemy air raid over Chungking yesterday.

Over 130 raiders headed for the wartime capital. Part were intercepted and driven back by Chinese fighter planes. The rest broke into the city limits and met intense anti-aircraft fire.

Bombs released indiscriminately did further damage to foreign properties. Two bombs landed near the American Embassy but caused no damage.

Other foreign properties damaged included the Y.M.C.A., a mission building and a hospital. — Central News.

## JAPANESE OCCUPY LUNGCHOW

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Shanghai, To-day.

It is revealed that the Japanese forces operating on the Kwangsi side of the Indo-China border have occupied the important frontier town of Lungchow. — Havas.

## LABOUR PARTY IN CONFERENCE

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

The National Executive of the Labour Party met in the House of Commons last evening and studied the situation arising from the latest events in France. — Havas.

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New York, To-day.

According to a Philadelphia despatch to the "Daily News" a gigantic Red bomb plot to destroy the greater part of the leadership of the Republican Party is alleged to have been unearthed by G-Men and the City authorities. Eight bombs are stated to have been planted in the Convention Hall and other strategic points, and nearly 12 arrests were made. — Reuter.

Montreux, To-day.

According to the "Gazette de Lausanne," about 50 British soldiers entered Switzerland on June 23 and were interned in the village of Boveresse. — Reuter.

London, To-day.

More rigorously than any other form of fighting, air warfare is a conflict of peoples, says the "Daily Telegraph."

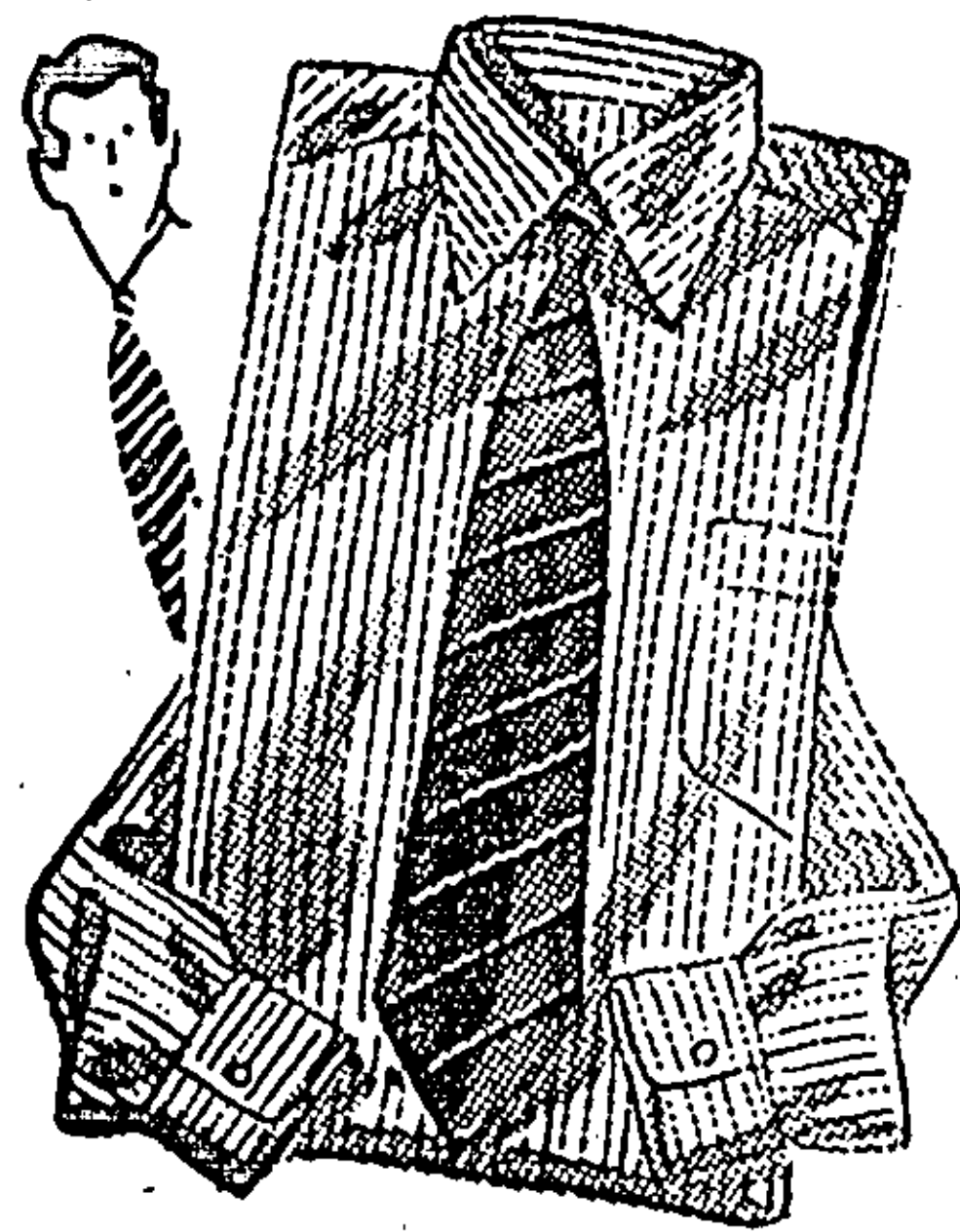
Victory can only be won by morale, endurance, energy and will power. The experiences of many long, dangerous struggles, and most recently of the breaking point of the Germany of 1918, assure us that the British will not fail.

No-one should think of the air war as a series of raids on Britain. Our Air Force day by day and night by night takes the offensive. — Reuter.

Tokyo, To-day.

News of the detention of the Sumatra Maru by the Indian authorities in Karachi, which reached Kobe by cable, has caused surprise here. The telegram stated the ship was preparing to leave Karachi for Bombay on June 24 when she was suddenly detained by the port authorities. The message added there was no prospect of the vessel being released for at least five days. The Sumatra Maru is owned by the Osaka Shosen Kaisha and is on the Calcutta run. — Reuter.

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## CANADA'S INDUSTRIAL RESOURCES

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Minister of Supply, told the Commons yesterday that every effort will be made in co-operation with the Canadian Government to use the maximum industrial resources of the Dominion. — Havas.

## GERMAN BOOTY

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

London, To-day.

Commenting on the German occupation of Northern France, officials declared that although many French mines were flooded and fuel reserves destroyed before the Germans could seize them, large quantities of both fuel and minerals fell into German hands. — Havas.

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